

NAKTONG RIVER BULGE NOW CLEARED OF REDS

Soldiers found guilty at secret trial

Colchester, Essex, August 19.

Two British soldiers were today found guilty on an undisclosed charge after a two-day trial by a "top secret" Court Martial held behind closed doors and at which American officers and Non-Commissioned officers gave evidence.

On trial were Rifleman Eric Smith and James Connolly of the Royal Ulster Rifles.

The sentence was not announced.

An officer said that it was being held back until further charges against Smith had been decided.—Reuter.

Factories on Hainan dismantled

The Chinese Communists have dismantled factories of Hainan Island and shipped the machinery to Canton, said the vernacular "Sing Tai Jih Pao" yesterday in a report from Taipei.

The report added that the Communist garrison on Hainan Island has been considerably reduced.

Local troops under the command of Communist General Feng Pai-chu are in charge of law and order on the island.

The report said that the actions of the Chinese Communists tend to support the theory that they will abandon Hainan in the event of a third international armed conflict.

"The theory has been previously expressed by the Nationalists who based their interpretations on the new Government's policies pursued in South China."

The Nationalists believe that all of South China would be abandoned by the Chinese Communists in the event of a third world war so as to shorten defence lines.

The "New China News Agency" reported that 10,170 guerrillas have been wiped out in Kwangsi province by the Chinese People's Liberation Army in July.

It added that in Hunan Province some 40,000 guerrillas have been annihilated during the first six months of the year.

It admitted, however, that some small groups of guerrillas remained to be dealt with in Hunan.

SCAP warns N. Korean commander

Tokyo, August 20.

General MacArthur today warned the Commander-in-Chief of the North Korean forces that he would hold him personally responsible for attacks against United Nations troops were not stopped.

The warning was delivered by jets dropped over Korea from U.S. planes. They said: "Incontrovertible evidence has shown many instances of United Nations prisoners being murdered."

"These crimes are not only against victims themselves, but against all humanity as well."

General MacArthur said that atrocities could be stopped by a command order.

He added: "If they (atrocities) are not promptly stopped, I will hold you and your command criminally accountable under the rules and precedents of war."

Associated Press.

The weather

At 0900 GMT (5 p.m. local) the tropical storm continues to weaken and is now a depression moving NNE into the Sea of Japan from Southern Honshu. Pressure is moderately low over S. China and Indochina and there is a wide extending Eastward from Formosa to the Pacific anti-cyclone.

Today's Forecast—Light or moderate S.W. winds; fair, apart from isolated showers.

Tomorrow's Weather—Mainly S.W. to S. winds; fair to cloudy with occasional showers.

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Communists flee across river, dump equipment RED DIVISION BADLY MAULED

Tokyo, August 20.

General MacArthur's spokesman revealed today that the Naktong River bulge near Changyong had been cleared of North Koreans who had all fled across the river, leaving their equipment on the East bank.

The spokesman said what was left of the North Korean Fourth Division after it was badly mauled in the last two days by American Marines and infantry had returned to the West bank of the Naktong. He said it was believed this Communist division lost all its heavy equipment.

An earlier despatch from United Press war correspondent Robert Vermilion on the Taegu front said combined South Korean and American attacks North of Taegu were stalled early today by a bypassed Red division on the left flank but the South Koreans in the centre beat off a tank led counter-attack for the second night in succession.

Major Gordon Murch, of St. Louis, Mo., reported that 350 enemy dead were found in front of his unit's position where the North Koreans counter-attacked on Friday and Saturday nights.

Murch said 16 tanks were knocked out by bazookas, air strikes and artillery in the past 36 hours in that sector. He also reported that the Americans captured nine North Korean 37 mm. guns, three heavy mortars, light machine-guns and a U.S. Marine truck which the Reds apparently captured from the Marines on the South West front.

The Americans also took eight Red prisoners, including a foot bearer who wandered into an American command post looking for food to take back to his outfit.

Allied planes in action

Allied planes today worked over two regiments of North Ko-

Agendas for Big Three meetings under review

London, August 20.

Agendas for the important meetings of the Foreign Ministers due next month in New York are now under preliminary review between the capitals concerned.

The American Government, according to a usually well informed source, has already circulated a draft of the topics it would like to see discussed at the meeting of the British, French and American Foreign Ministers expected to open on September 13.

This will probably be a two-day affair, to be followed by the opening of the General Assembly of the United Nations on September 19, by a meeting of the North Atlantic Pact Council.

So far it looks as if the three Foreign Ministers, whose meeting will start off the autumn season of diplomatic activity in New York, will leave themselves free to discuss any last-minute problem which may develop.

With this proviso they are expected to agree on a fairly full agenda with the crises in the United Nations and the Far East to the main issues, but with time left for full discussion of the future of Germany and Austria.

At the moment it looks as though the two main problems the three Foreign Ministers will have to tackle before appearing in the wider forum of the Atlantic Pact Council, will not be explicitly outlined on the agenda. One is the pressing need to bring British and American policy toward China into line.

The other is the need to estimate whether or not the Communist advances in Asia are a "diversion" likely to be followed before long by events in Western Germany, or even Europe as a whole.

The September meetings will be the first since the meeting of the Foreign Ministers in London (Acheson) and the European Foreign Ministers since the Communist invasion of Southern Korea. The Ministers are expected to discuss a range of topics.

rean infantry who were spotted in an orchard 17 miles North of the West of Taegu. North Koreans in this area were blocking the advance of the spirited South Korean troops.

Another air target today was a train loaded with tanks moving South from a point 80 miles North of Taegu.

The Americans said the South Korean forces have moved into stronger positions along the hills 15 miles North of Taegu today but did not attempt a general offensive.

General MacArthur's Korean release today said Marine fighter planes blew up a North Korean ammunition dump North of Chinha, touching off explosions lasting 10 minutes.

The release, issued at 7.45 p.m. today, said: "Explosions lasting for more than 10 minutes resulted from an attack by Marine fighters from a U.S. naval carrier while conducting mopping up operations yesterday following the rout of the North

British carrier-based planes participating in the West Korean blockade force sank two 100-ton motor ships at Kunsan, using rockets and cannon fire.

South Korean landings

South Korean Marines and naval forces have made three amphibious landings in Communist-held territory in the past three days—the latest this morning, adds Associated Press.

South Korean forces went ashore at Yonghung Island South West of Inchon early today.

Naval sources here said that latest reports indicated fighting was in progress.

Yonghung Island is about 13 miles East of Tokchok, which the South Koreans captured on August 17.

British naval forces supported the Tokchok landings.

The third South Korean landing was made along the South coast near the town of Tongyong, just opposite the large island of Koje, South West of Pusan. Marines went ashore there on August 18, and reinforcements landed this morning.

Admiral Son Won Il, Chief of Naval Operations for the Korean Navy, said that one Red battalion had been smashed in fighting near Tongyong, which the Southern forces captured.

The Admiral said that two North Korean divisions were reported moving toward the Tongyang area.

Lieutenant Commander D. C. Holley, American adviser to the Korean Navy, called the Marines' activities "most successful."

"They are fighting against superior forces and doing exceedingly well for themselves," Holley said.

Holley pointed out that the South Korean action was aimed at preventing any Communist attack on the island of Koje itself.

The landings on the West coast island near Pusan are designed to lure the North Koreans away from the Pusan area, where they can be harassed by the U.S. Navy's new heavy cruisers, the USS Essex and USS Yorktown.

Pokfulam Road collision



Photo shows a military truck and a commercial lorry after a collision at about 7 p.m. yesterday in Pokfulam Road, just beyond the Queen Mary Hospital. Four persons, including two soldiers, sustained slight injuries.—("China Mail" Photo).

Master of ship held by KMT asks for UN intervention

Taipei, August 20.

The Australian master of a British vessel held by the Nationalists for more than six months, appealed in a written statement for United Nations intervention.

The ship's detention, he said, was a breach of international law and concerned the liberty and rights of man.

The master also accused the British Government of deserting and abandoning the ship, the ss. Caduceus, of 4,445 tons, and her personnel, and declared: "If this case be any criterion, then it is a very poor look-out indeed for men today operating under the British flag."

The author of this statement is Captain Ronald Roy Conway of Hurstville, New South Wales, whose ship was detained at Kaohsiung in Taiwan on February 10.

In a statement to the Associated Press from Kaohsiung, Captain Conway described the arrest of the Caduceus as "a glaring case of flaunting international law."

The Nationalists, he said, had held for six months a British ship that had done no wrong, kept her British officers under guard and gagged her Chinese crew.

"If Great Britain will not, or cannot do anything about it, he added, then it is a pitiful and miserable outlook, and the question of British prestige does not even have to be let into the discussion."

The ship's cargo supervisor, Ying Yen-ming, Captain Conway said, was executed in Taipei on July 27 on suspicion of being a Communist.

Nine other members of the ship were sentenced by a military court to 10 years imprisonment.

No Counsel

Captain Conway alleged that neither he nor British Consul officials were represented at the trial nor, so far as he knew, was counsel appointed for the prisoners.

Nor, he added, had the British authorities been notified of the Court's findings.

Captain Conway said the executed man was supposed to have been smuggled into Taiwan, "but this was not so."

"The man was a legally signed member of the crew, with his name plainly featured on the ship's articles of agreement."

Apart from those sentenced to prison, the remaining 40 Chinese members of the crew were being held in jail without trial while he and three other British officers—First Mate W.M. Layfield, Chief Engineer, N.S. Halliday and Second Engineer, G. J. Groskop, were still under guard though permitted a certain amount of liberty.

Captain Conway insisted that the Caduceus was a British ship sailing, with exactly the same register, that had taken her around the world for the last 23 years.

"This ship has never traded with the Chinese Communists," he said, "and has never been in the very first to any Chinese port."

Associated Press.

Illegal arrests banned

The Nationalist Government today banned illegal arrests by the police in a move to consolidate the rule of law in Taiwan.

In an Executive order, the government explained the step was taken to ensure strict observance of the people's constitutional right of freedom of person despite the existence of a state of emergency.

It is presumed this relaxation of the emergency rule is made possible by the present greater military security of Taiwan.

The order required that henceforth only the police may make arrests and arrests must be made on properly authorized warrant.

A police officer making an arrest must show his identification card. It was stipulated in case of military emergency, arrests must be carried out in conjunction with the military police.—United Press.

HK WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN MALAYA

Mr. and Mrs. George Wittchell were informed here last night that their daughter, Mrs. Nora Evelyn Stutchbury, who had been reported missing in the Pahang jungle since August 15, had been found shot dead near Pahang, Malaya, yesterday.

Mrs. Stutchbury was declared missing following a terrorist ambush in Pahang on August 15. Her husband, Mr. A. D. Stutchbury, who is the District Officer of Bentong, Pahang, was slightly wounded in the ambush.

Since her disappearance the Anti-Terrorist Operations Headquarters at Kuala Lumpur had conducted an intensive search for the former Hong Kong girl. It was feared that she had been abducted by Communist terrorists.

More than 1,000 troops and police, with bloodhounds maintained a day-and-night search for her through thick and trailless jungle. The Royal Air Force also aided in the search.

On August 19 a search party, headed by Mr. Stutchbury, found items of women's clothing which were believed to have belonged to Mrs. Stutchbury.

A Chinese interpreter was also missing after the ambush. His whereabouts have not yet been traced.

Mrs. Stutchbury was very well known here before she went to Singapore. She and her husband went to England for a holiday last year.

Plane crash on Lantau; no casualties

A Tiger Moth aircraft piloted by Mr. Richard Cavill, of the Eastman Kodak Company, crashed on a beach on the Southern tip of Lantau Island at 1.30 p.m. yesterday.

Though the plane was badly damaged, Mr. Cavill, a passenger, Mrs. J. R. Stevenson, escaped without injuries.

Mr. Cavill took off from Kai Tak Airport on a practice flight and was about to land when the plane overturned and crashed due to heavy winds.

The accident was seen by Police Launch No. 4 which was patrolling in the vicinity at the time. The launch steamed to Mr. Cavill's assistance and brought him and Mrs. Stevenson back to Hong Kong. The plane was left on the beach.

Mr. Cavill told the "China Mail" last night that he had landed on the beach several times before the accident and that he had permission to land there.

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Pahang, Malaya, Norm's
beloved wife of Mr. W.
Stutchbury and daughter
Mr. and Mrs. George Will
of Hong Kong.

and Mrs. George White
wish to thank all friends
for kind inquiries during
the past week regarding the
illness of Nora.

A black and white portrait of a middle-aged man with dark hair, wearing a dark suit jacket, a white shirt, and a patterned tie. He is looking slightly to the right of the camera with a neutral expression. The background is a light, textured surface.

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Nationalists
confident of
defending Taiwan

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the war on the mainland largely on United States persuasion to the Kuomintang leaders to sue for peace.

Pointing out that Chiang Kai-shek dissociated himself with peace moves, they claim that most defections by generals in the field were the direct result of Vice-President Li Tsung-jun's fruitless efforts at Nanking in May, 1949, to secure conditional peace terms while, at the same time, urging the army to "fight to the last."

Some observers claim a "fifty-fifty" possibility that large-scale defection would deal the final blow if the Communists attacked Taiwan.

On the question of Russian aid, many Nationalists admit they are worried by the extent to which Russian equipment assisted Communist victories in North Korea. Russian assistance in the Taiwan campaign, they say, could be given in the form of fighter planes to neutralize the Nationalist Air Force and submarine and surface naval craft to draw off the United States Seventh Fleet and Nationalist Navy.

Actual participation by the Russians, they consider unlikely in view of promised American Navy—Reuter.

This dividend will be payable on or after Thursday, 21st September, 1950, at the Registered Office of the Company, where Shareholders are requested to apply for warrants.

Notice is hereby also given that the Registrar of Companies of the Company will be closed from the 7th day of September to the 21st day of September, 1950, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, August 18, 1950.

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R. M. ALDERTON,
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DOCUSEN, LUCKY
TO GAIN DECISION
OVER MILO SAVAGE

Hollywood, August 19.

Bernard Docuseen, flashy New Orleans ring star, was rated a lucky man tonight after eking out a unanimous 10-round decision over Milo Savage of the Seattle Stadium.

Docuseen started strong in their third match Friday night, taking four of the first five rounds, but tired badly at the end and was taking a heavy pounding from Savage. His left eye was cut in the fifth round and his ear began to bleed, leaving some doubt that his August 28 match with Mario Trigo might have to be postponed.—United Press.

AGENDAS FOR BIG
THREE MEETINGS
UNDER REVIEW

(Continued from page 1)

Despite the interminable delay in following up the British recognition by the exchange of diplomatic representatives there is no intention in London to cancel relations with the Communists and revert to the support of the Nationalist authorities.

In standing by this view, the British Government is still influenced chiefly by the belief that it is unrealistic to fail to recognise the regime which in fact governs China.

Consequently, an extension of the Korea conflict to Taiwan if it brought America into military conflict with the Chinese Government, would be both a serious source of embarrassment to the British Government and a serious aggravation of the crisis from which, formally at least, the Soviet Government and China have so far remained aloof.

Drain on supplies

In the second place, the Western Foreign Ministers have to face the question of how far the continued fighting in the Far East will drain off supplies intended for Europe.

The resources of the non-Communist world are very great, but they are not unlimited. Recent events in Korea have clearly given the Atlantic Pact members a jolt. The general impression drawn from the revived armament programmes of the West European countries is that Western Europe, as it stands today, is not adequately defended against a possible attack.

In the autumn, the difficulty both of fighting a "United Nations" war in Asia and of rearming Western Europe will have to be faced in detail and in the light of the Far Eastern situation as it will have then developed.

An edge will be lent to the discussions on European rearmament by the French insistence that not only more machines but more men, more British and American divisions, must be based on the Continent.

And into this picture of the rearmament of Western Europe

Russian
athletes on
way to Brussels

London, August 19.

Forty Russian athletes left Moscow for Brussels today to compete in the European track and field championships starting next Wednesday.

The Russian News Agency Tass reported that the party included the three Russian women and one man who hold world records. The journey is the second by Russian athletes into Western Europe since the Russian revolution. On the other occasion they took part in the European championships at Oslo in 1946 where they won six firsts.

Record holders

The world record holders are Nina Dumbadze women's discus, Natalya Smirnitkaya, women's javelin, Klavdia Tchenova, women's shot put, and Feodosi Vanin men's 30,000 metres race.

Tass said the Soviet delegation, headed by Konstantin Andrianov, Vice Chairman of the Committee for Physical Culture and Sport of the USSR Council of Ministers, will take part in the work of the Congress of the International Amateur Athletic Federation which will be held during the championships.—Associated Press.

Arsenal players
quit Football
Players' Union

London, August 19.

Arsenal football players have quit the Football Players' Union and they will not rejoin unless there is a change of policy and control in the Union.

Laurie Scott, Arsenal and England right-back, the spokesman for the Arsenal soccer team, said today:

"We are all for the Union but we are against the way the show is run."

Biggest playing staff

The Arsenal, with 63 players on the books, has the biggest playing staff of any club in English football.

Of the points on which Arsenal footballers disagree with their Union is the recent suggestion that Jimmy Guthrie, the paid chairman of the Union, should receive a benefit of 2750 just as he would if he was a regular first team player in English League football for five seasons.—Associated Press.

has to be fitted a less restricted Western Germany with whom the revision of the existing Occupation Statute is pending.

The Foreign Ministers, it is understood, will also review the defence of the Middle East, no doubt with special reference to Turkey's request for inclusion in the Atlantic Pact.

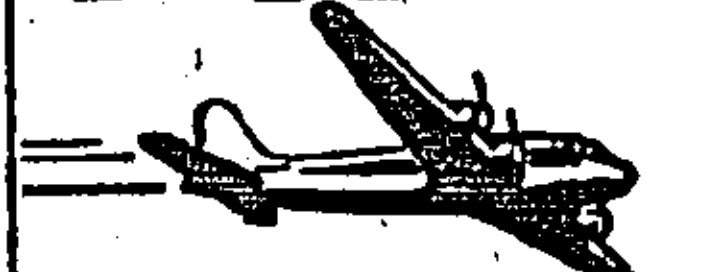
Whatever the difficulties with which the Western Powers have to contend in Europe and Asia, they are not likely to blind themselves to the defensive weakness of the Middle Eastern States, whose lack of unity among themselves renders their security an almost insoluble problem.—Reuter.



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WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

SUPPOSE your partner had opened the bidding with a suit bid of one and the opponent at your right had then jumped immediately into 3-No Trumps. After your pass and that of the opponent at your left, your partner doubled, and the 3-No Trumpers passed, as did you and the game-bidder's partner. If what would you then lead? Would you consider that your partner was trying to make sure you would lead his suit? Or would you decide he was trying to get you to lead something else?

East, however, thought he could depend on his partner to know what a double by him would mean in this situation, so he used that device. South held fast, feeling that West would now be more than ever sure to lead a diamond. West, however, proved a good partner for East. He decided the double was a command to lead something other than a diamond, so he selected the spade J. As a consequence, the defenders took the first five tricks, three in spades and two in hearts, to beat the contract. More or less normal bidding at other tables of the same duplicate landed this deal in contracts of 3-Clubs by South, which was readily makeable, and in 3-Diamonds and 3-Spades contracts by East, all of which were defeated. It happened that East-West could outscore 3-Clubs only by playing at 3-Hearts because the outstanding trumps were divided, but no body reached that contract.

Tomorrow's Problem

S 6 4 3 2
H 10 3
D 7 6 4 2
C Q 7 3

S J 9 7
H A K Q
D 2
C Q J 10 8 5

It was no problem at all for East to figure out what kind of hand South had for his starting game bid in No Trumps. East reckoned instantaneously that South had a string of solid clubs and the diamond A, and that he was counting on West to lead his partner's diamond suit. If West followed the desired behaviour pattern, South would run, nine tricks in a hurry to steel a game!

(Dealer: East. East-West vulnerable.)

What would you bid in the pattern, South would run, nine tricks in a hurry to steel a game!

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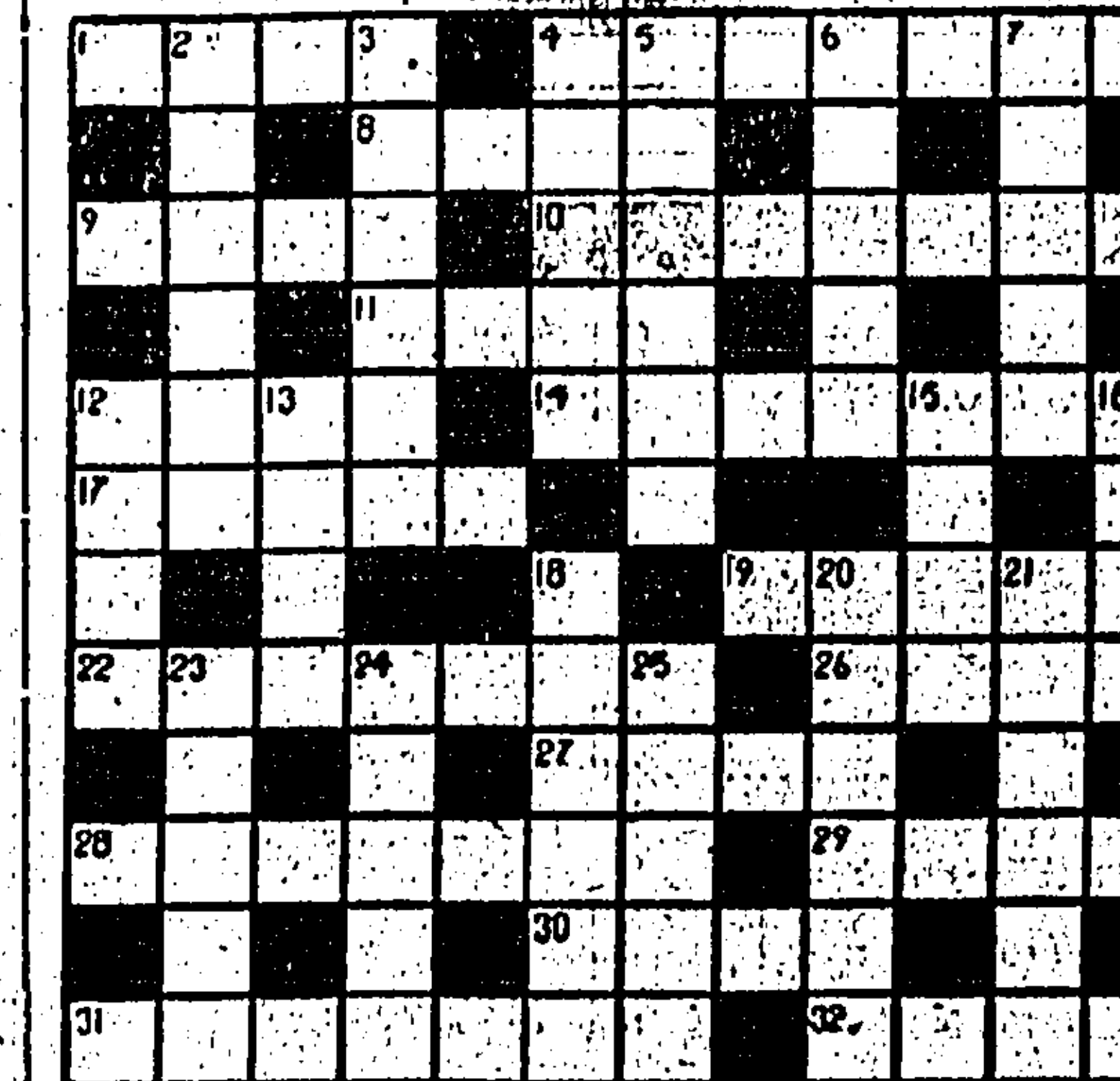
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- 19 Fragrant.
- 22 Remainder.
- 26 Depend.
- 27 Staff.
- 28 Mope.
- 30 Following.
- 31 Quiet.

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- 3 Hang about.
- 6 Compassionate.
- 7 Fils.
- 10 Rise and fall.
- 13 Coming.
- 14 Beverages.
- 17 Invest with.
- 18 Incline.
- 20 Ventilate.
- 21 Gaily.
- 23 Tax.
- 24 Nymphs.
- 25 Ether.
- 26 Tunes.
- 27 Loaded.
- 28 DOWN—1. Cumpston.
2. Im-
3. Mature.
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"SIANSI"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	4 p.m. 21st Aug.
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"SHENGKING"	Keelung, Penang & Belawan	5 p.m. 22nd Aug.
"ANKING"	Bangkok, Tientsin & Singapore	3 p.m. 24th Aug.
"SOOCHOW"	Singapore & Penang	5 p.m. 25th Aug.
"HUNAN"	Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka & Kobe	5 p.m. 30th Aug.
"TAKIHOI"	Osaka & Kobe	5 p.m. 1st Sept.

* Sails from Custodian Wharf.

ARRIVALS FROM

"SHENGKING"	Keelung	5 p.m. 20th Aug.
"ANKING"	Moji	6 p.m. 21st Aug.
"HUNAN"	Tientsin & Tsingtao	21st/22nd Aug.
"SOOCHOW"	Kobe	22nd Aug.
"SZECHUEN"	Djakarta & Singapore	23rd Aug.

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"TAIYUAN"	Yokohama, Shimizu, Yokkaichi, Kobe & Kure	4 p.m. 21st Aug.
"CHANGTE"	Sydney, Hobart, Beauty Point & Melbourne	30th Aug.
"TAIPING"	Japan	31st Aug.
"TAIYUAN"	Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide	9th Sept.

ARRIVALS FROM

"TAIYUAN"	Australia & Manila	In Port
"CHANGTE"	Japan	27th Aug.
"TAIPING"	Australia, Manus Is. & Manila	27th Aug.
"TAIYUAN"	Japan	6th Sept.

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Scheduled sailings to Europe via Aden & Port Said.

"CYCLOPS"	Dublin & Liverpool	25th Aug.
"ANTIOCHUS"	N. Africa, London, Holland & Hamburg	Loads 30th Aug. Sails 2nd Sept.
"PERSEUS"	Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	9th Sept.

ARRIVALS FROM

"AUTOLYCUS"	U.K. via Straits	25th Aug.
"MENTOR"	U.K. via Straits	1st Sept.
"CLYTHEUS"	U.K. via Straits	8th Sept.
"PYRRHUS"	U.K. via Straits	15th Sept.
"ASTYANAX"	U.K. via Straits	25th Sept.

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"PIONEER SEA" via Keelung, Yokohama & Kobe		Sept. 11
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"PIONEER LAND"	Sept. 22, Sept. 24
"PIONEER SEA"	Oct. 2, Oct. 4

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

EXPERT FORESEES BOOM IN WORLD'S TIN MARKET TO CONTINUE

Penang, August 19.

The boom in the tin market may probably continue unabated for some time and any climb down in prices will only be of meagre scale.

Australia's power projects

Canberra, August 19. Australia plans a progressive emphasis on hydro-electric power projects in an ambitious programme to double the nation's power output by 1958. The Development Minister, Mr. Richard G. Casey said recently that installed power capacity in Australia will be four times the present figure in 25 years. Present generating capacity, set at 2,123,000 kilowatts, would be increased to 8,576,000 by 1958. By that time, a survey indicated, 15 per cent of Australia's electric power will be derived from hydro-electric plants. Apart from the gigantic Snowy River hydro electric project planned for completion in 25 years, about \$500,000,000 will be spent on other electrical generation plant in the next eight years. The Snowy River dam, near the borders of Victoria and New South Wales, will provide an enormous increase of hydro electric power for Melbourne, Sydney, Canberra and other communities. The project was opened last October.—United Press.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

s.s. "ANTIOCHUS"

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed at Holt's Wharf between 10 a.m. and noon on August 21 and 22, 1950, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hong Kong, August 19, 1950.

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are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown where it will be at Consignees risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke at 10 a.m. on August 21, 1950.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after August 22, 1950 will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before August 20, 1950 or they will not be recognised.

No fire insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hong Kong, August 19, 1950.

The increase in price is caused by big stockpiling programmes of various nations of the world as insurance against developments following the Korean war. The tin industry may suffer badly if the Korean war takes a bad turn, he told the Associated Press.

The United States, Britain and other nations have been buying metal for completing stockpiling and this had caused a definite momentum in the market.

Favourable sign
"There is nothing spectacular in this," he commented. It is a healthy increase and a favourable sign for the industry in general, Mr. Mackay added.

Mr. Mackay ruled out the prediction of surplus in commodity for another year or more. Therefore, "it does not call for any anxiety," he pointed out. Malaysia's tin magnate also scoffed at rumours that Russia is getting a share of Malaysia's tin by back door means. He scoffed reports that Russia is buying large quantities through Indian businessmen.

While he conceded that Indian demand for tin recently had been heavy, he stated it was part of the Government's own stockpiling requirements. Mr. Mackay also ruled out rumours of any danger to Malaysia's industry by the United States agreement with Bolivia for larger purchases of the country's metal.

Malayan metal is "superior to Bolivia" and the U.S. cannot but afford to buy Malayan tin, the tin magnate emphasised.—Associated Press.

JAP SILK REELERS REPORT

Tokyo, August 19. The Japan Silk Reelers Association announced that Japan's exports of machine-reeled silk in July totalled 5,775 bales, and in August 5,775 bales, and in September 5,775 bales. The United States was the largest importer with 3,772 bales, followed by France with 1,025 bales. The Association said exports for the first six months of this year totalled 36,998 bales, of which 10,230 bales went to the United States, followed by France with 5,553 bales.—United Press.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on August 20, 1950, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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All claims must reach us before September 21, 1950, or they will not be recognised.

No insurance will be effected.

JERSEN & CO., Agents.

Hong Kong, August 21, 1950.

Plans to feed Korean refugees

Washington, August 19.

Officials of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation here said they are preparing recommendations on FAO's participation in the United Nations relief programme in Korea.

They said plans are being drafted for FAO to establish an operating programme to procure food for Korea's refugee population providing such a programme is requested.

These officials explained the programme would encompass FAO purchase or procurement by other means of grain and alternative foodstuffs and their transport to Korea.

However the officials pointed out that an increase in the present FAO budget would be necessary if any substantial amount of purchases or payments for shipping was expected of the Organisation.

They estimated it will be necessary to import about 500,000 tons of grain into Korea during the next year, of which one-third would be rice. They said that if, as anticipated, larger supplies of rice from Burma become available, the demand for rice shipments to Korea from other sources will be somewhat reduced.—United Press.

Proposals for British industry

London, August 19.

Ten British pressed metal experts who studied U.S. methods for a year think their industry needs a change of outlook by all concerned.

The experts, representing management and labour in the British industry, toured America's metal working centres under the auspices of the Anglo-American Council on Productivity.

Their report, which found the American industry more "productivity conscious," said British managements must be prepared to be more receptive to progressive methods, modernise and re-equip plants and provide the means to utilise labour more efficiently.

They added that Trade Union officials must convince their members of the absolute necessity for an immediate increase in productivity and must implement this, securing the abandonment of restrictive practices of all kinds.—Associated Press.

Credits to Indonesia authorised

Washington, August 19.

The Export Import Bank announced today that it has authorised credits of \$22,100,000 to Indonesia for the purchase of motor vehicles and road-building equipment. The money is part of the \$100,000,000 credits for Indonesia announced last February.

In explaining the \$20,000,000 to be used to purchase trucks, buses and spare parts, the Bank said, "Indonesia's transport system was seriously crippled during the Japanese occupation. The shortage of trucks has limited severely the marketing of Indonesia's agricultural and industrial products. Passenger transport has been even more restricted."

The remaining \$2,100,000 will be for the purchase of United States road-building equipment. The post-war economic development of Indonesia has been retarded because of lack of access to areas rich in natural resources. During the next five years the Indonesian government plans to construct about a thousand miles of new highways mainly in Sumatra. The road-building equipment to be financed under the Bank credit is vital to the completion of this programme.—United Press.

N. Orleans to hold trade fair

Chicago, August 19.

Lloyd Cobb, President of the New Orleans International House, said today that New Orleans will hold its own international trade fair, in 1953.

Lloyd headed a group of 40 New Orleans civic leaders who came here to see the fair and get ideas. It was the largest single delegation to visit the ground.

Rudolph Hecht, chairman of the board of the International House, said the New Orleans fair is second only to New York. He said its international trade volume has increased five times in the past 10 years. He said the main impetus has been the discovery by the European nations that it is cheaper to ship through New Orleans than New York to points West of Cincinnati.

Cobb added the New Orleans trade fair will be held in the spring of 1953 in connection with the anniversary celebration of the Louisiana Purchase.—United Press.

Japanese facing rice problem

Tokyo, August 19.

Informed Japanese sources said the Japanese government may have to seek importation of an estimated 250,000 tons of rice from Thailand and Burma because it can no longer rely on South Korea on account of the war there.

These sources said, due to the fact that India, Ceylon, Malaya and Hong Kong rely also on Burma and Thailand for their rice supply, Japan may experience difficulty in getting the full amount needed.

Japan may eventually have to revise her import programme by buying wheat from Australia rather than from the wheat producing countries of the Western hemisphere, these sources said.—United Press.

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s.s. "CORFU"	27th October	27th November

s.s. "CANTON"	23rd November	28th December
s.s. "CHUBAN"	9th December	8th January
s.s. "CARTHAGE"	22nd December	22nd January
s.s. "CORFU"	19th January	19th February

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s.s. "TAIREA"	due 22nd Aug.	for Japan.
s.s. "TAIREA"	due 23rd Aug.	for Calcutta, Rangoon via Straits.

s.s. "BIRDHANA"	due 16th Sept.	from Calcutta, Rangoon via Straits.
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s.s. "KHUYER"	due 1st Sept.	for Japan.
s.s. "KHUYER"	due 2nd Sept.	for Straits, Colombo & Bombay.

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	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"BOISBEVAIN"	In Port	10th Sept.
"STRAAT MALAKKA"		20th Sept.

JAPAN

	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"BOISBEVAIN"	9th Sept.	22nd Aug.
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	18th Sept.	

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"STEEL ADMIRAL"	Sails N.Y. Sails S.F. Due H.K.
"STEEL AGE"	Sailed Sailed 24th Aug.
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When the temperature of the ship's structure cools below the dewpoint of the air in the holds, moisture condenses on the overhead and drips on to the cargo. Ship sweat, as this is generally referred to, causes grain to ferment, bags to stain and cans to rust and ruins labels.

Cargo sweat—when the temperature of the air is below the dewpoint of the air in the hold (as after loading in cold or wet weather) moisture condenses directly on the cargo—causes corn to heat and rot and pipes to rust.

Well protected

Cargoes most affected by moisture, such as hardware, canned goods, steel, spices, tea, tobacco, foodstuffs and perishable goods, are well protected by this scientific system from "sweat" damage.

Copra shipments, for example, require careful study. It is usual that mould and mildew in copra tends to increase the acid content in the finished oil, thereby decreasing its value.

This mould and mildew is usually caused by outside moisture on the copra during loading or storage. Cargocaire reduces considerably the percentage of mould and mildew. Its dry air on the copra right after loading removes most of the surface moisture.

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Canned goods are carried across the seas successfully as condensation is never allowed to occur. Cans never rust or lose their labels from moisture damage. Cardboard cartons are not stained or moisture-damaged.

Semi-perishable cargoes, like fresh onions, potatoes, garlic, carrots and lemons have been delivered in good condition and ship-free in Hong Kong by ships equipped with Cargocaire, coming from various ports under all types of weather conditions—ranging from extreme winter conditions on the Pacific Coast and North Pacific to tropical heat in the East.

Great advantage

The system has a great advantage over the natural ventilation method. It controls the moisture content of the air in the holds, independent of weather conditions.

The large volumes of clean dry air, supplied by Cargocaire, push overboard moisture developed from the cargo so that condensation, mould and odours cannot form. If the outside air is too damp, it would cause sweat and rust on canned goods or metal products.

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The ocean's deepest spot found

The lowest known point on the planet—exceeding by more than a mile below sea level the world's highest point, summit of Mount Everest above sea level—has been located 34,400 feet down in the ocean off the East Coast of the Philippines, in the Mindanao trench.

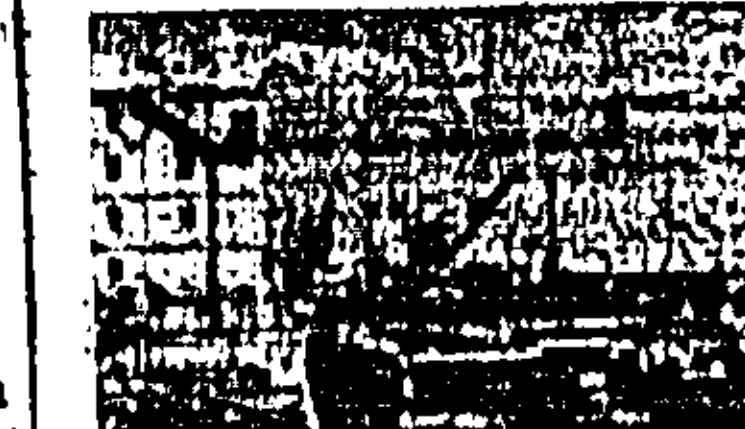
According to conclusions derived at recently from soundings made by scientists, this is the deepest spot in the ocean.

The Cape Johnson Deep, as it has been identified, was discovered by Dr. H. H. Hays of Princeton University and Mr. W. W. H. Hays of the USN Hydrographic Office.

The finding was disclosed recently after exhaustive work in the analyzing of data procured in 1946 by the American scientists.

In 1937 a similar fact-finding operation was undertaken by the German cruiser Emden, when it was reported that a point of 35,400 feet down in the ocean

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was reached—some 40 miles off the Cape Johnson Deep.

The American scientists, however, asserted in their report that the Emden operation was not accurate because depth-finding apparatus used then was obsolete compared with that used currently.

It was also disclosed that the second deepest spot is probably the Ramapo Deep—made from the USS Ramapo some 15 years ago—off the North-East coast of Japan, where it is 34,038 feet deep.



More than 95 per cent of the Chinese community in Sumatra pledged their loyalty to President Chiang Kai-shek in the silk Chinese scroll, seen in picture held by Miss Gertrude Saw, well-known Sumatran sportswoman, who will present it to the Generalissimo at Taiwan. ("China Mail" Photo).

Loyalty scroll for Chiang Kai-shek

When the "Taiwan Express" Shengking (Butterfield and Swire) leaves Custodian Wharf tomorrow evening for Keelung, she will probably take a group of tourists from Sumatra, bearing a common pledge of loyalty to Chiang Kai-shek from the Sumatra-Chinese community.

A beautifully-patterned Chinese scroll with the names of 61 commercial, sports and educational organisations and 74 representatives—the symbol of hope and loyalty of the majority of the some 400,000 Chinese in Sumatra—will be presented to the President.

Known as the Sumatra Overseas Chinese Touring Party to Taiwan, the group includes prominent Sumatran businessmen, newspaper executives and sportsmen and women. It is headed by Mr. G. C. Saw President of the Hong Kong Indonesian Association and Director of the "New China Times" of Medan, Sumatra.

Mr. Saw is carrying on private business with a shop along the Paraya and is also a popular figure among the shipping circles. During the sojourn in Taiwan, Benih Saw, a member of the party and son of Mr. Saw, will give exhibition matches. Two basketball teams accompanying the visitors will also play a series of games with the Taiwan players.

Miss Gertrude Saw, daughter of Mr. Saw and popular sportswoman, will present the scroll personally to President Chiang.

This is believed to be the first presentation of its kind by a Sumatran delegation from Indonesia. It was suggested by Miss Saw, when she was in Taiwan early this year and collected during the past two months.

Briefly, the "pledge" states that more than 95 per cent of the Sumatran Chinese are true to their belief that the Chiang regime will gain victory against the Communists and recover China as it had done during the last

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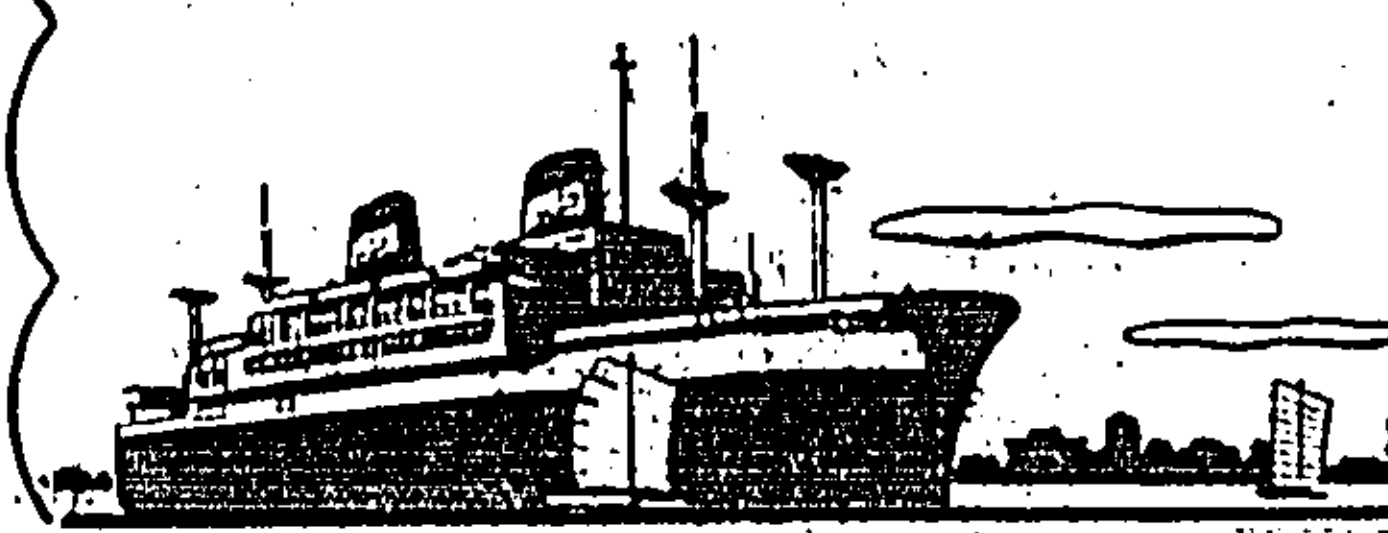
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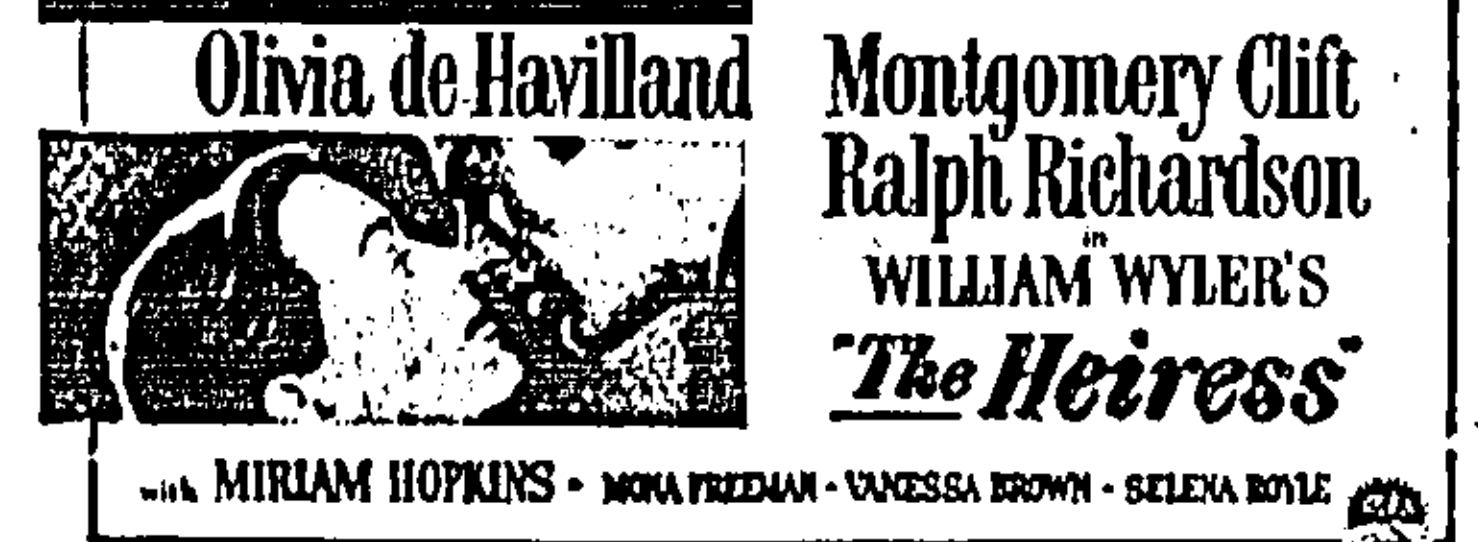


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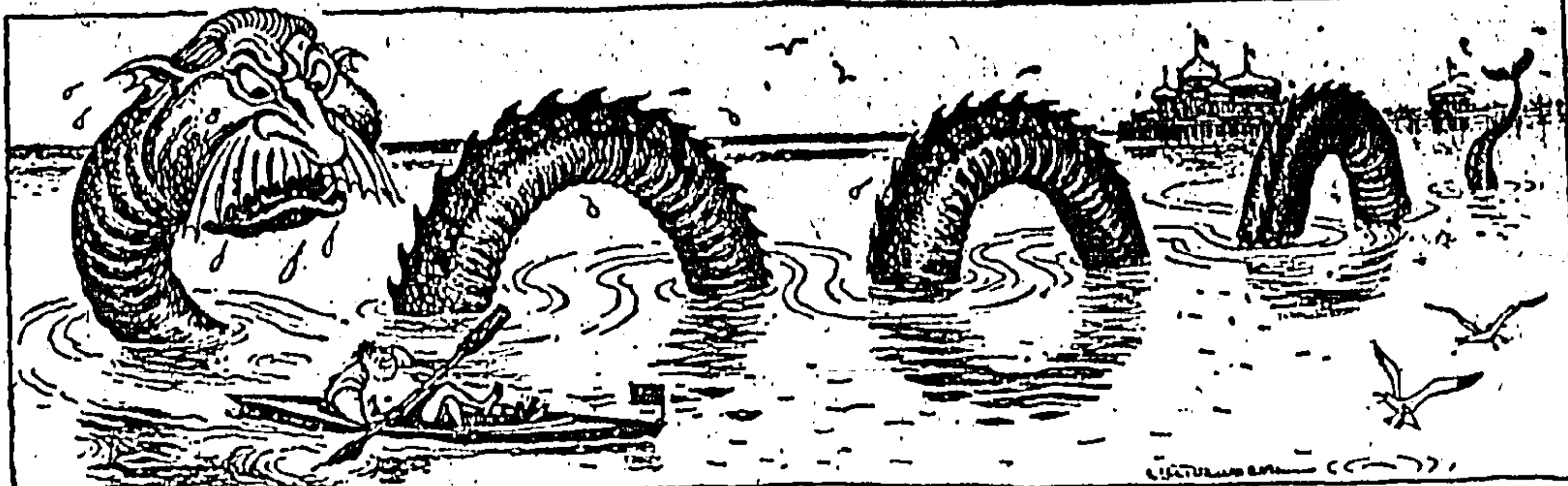
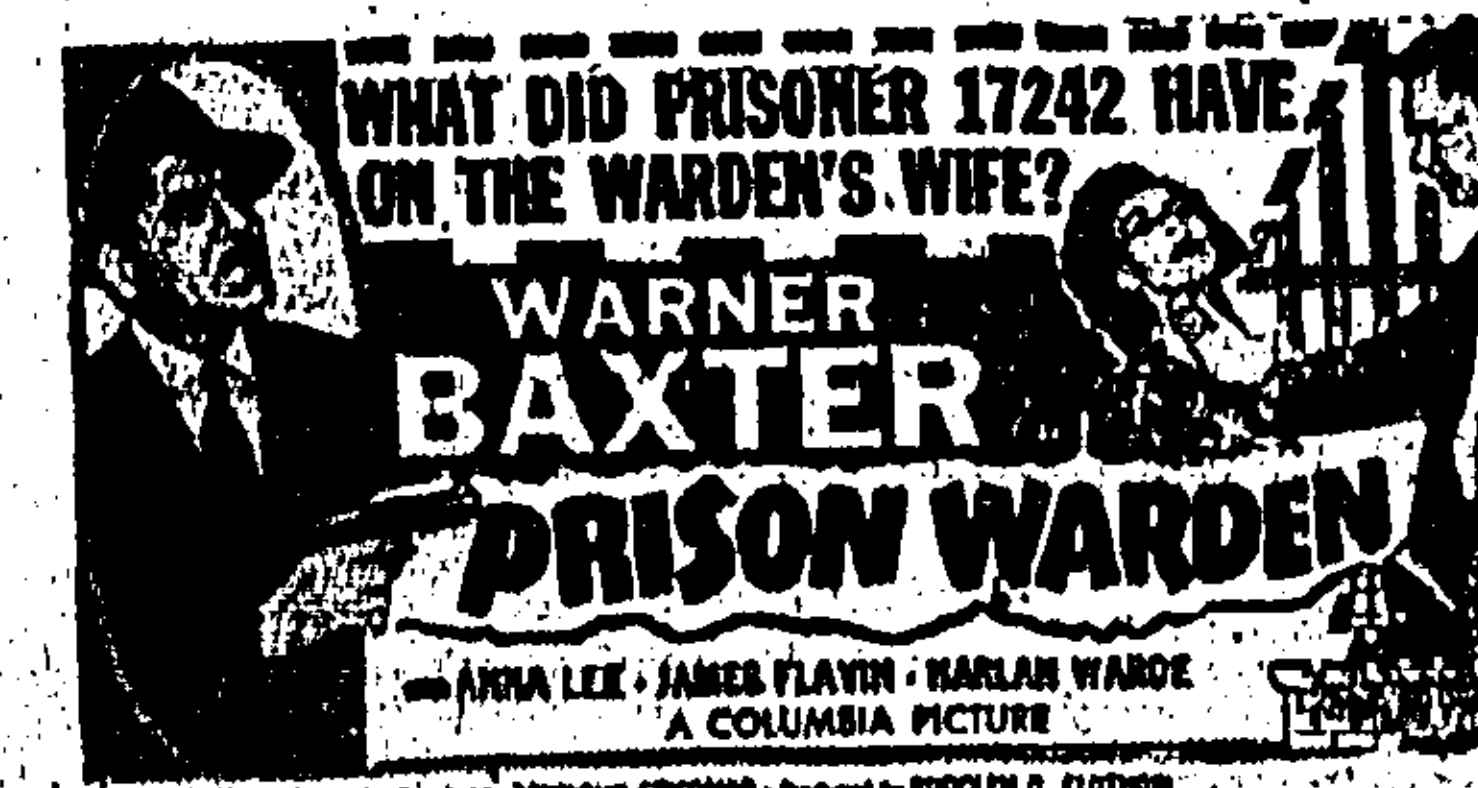
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VEIL OF MYSTERY STILL AROUND TROTSKY KILLER

Mexico City, August 20.

The 10 years since Leon Trotsky was assassinated still leave the veil of mystery around his cryptic killer.

Jacques Mornard, if that is his name, is serving a 20-year sentence for the crime. But police are not sure of his name, of his nationality, of the source of the money which lets him live in a comfortable suite of cells in the federal penitentiary. They have not even established definitely a motive for the killing.

Mornard, now 48, says he was disillusioned with Trotsky and that is why he chopped at the old Russian Bolshevik's skull with a mountaineer's axe. Later he said he killed in self-defence. But the 60-year-old Trotsky said before he died that Mornard was an agent of Stalin, of the OGPU. He had predicted when he sought refuge in Mexico that Soviet secret police would try to kill him.

Trotsky, exiled from Russia after he broke with Stalin, took refuge here. His Fourth International, anti-Stalin Communism, attracted adherents. Enemies tried to kill him. He lived through a machine gun attack on the house he rented from the Mexican painter Diego Rivera. One of his secretaries, Mornard had professed great admiration for Trotsky. On the afternoon of August 20, 1940, Mornard obtained an interview with the old man. He said he wanted to show him a manuscript. A few minutes later the armed "secretaries" heard a scuffle.

Trotsky, blood streaming down his face, stumbled out of his office. Behind him was Mornard, the mountaineer who had brought with him under his coat.

Trotsky died next day in hospital. But before his death he whispered to his lawyer that Mornard most likely was sent

by the Russian secret police, then known as the OGPU.

Mornard's denial

Mornard denied this, but told a variety of stories. He had lived in Mexico City under the name of Frank Jackson. He gave no evidence that this was his real name. Then he changed his story. He said he was Jacques Mornard, born in Iran, the son of a Belgian diplomat. But Belgian diplomats who talked to him said he is French.

At one time police said he had been identified as Salvador Tor-koff, a Russian member of a band of immigrant smugglers which operated in San Antonio, Texas.

A panel of psychiatrists, after questioning Mornard for a week, turned in a 1,332-page report to the court. It said he had a mental fixation compelling him to strike other persons, was badly educated, otherwise normal, but not intelligent.

The man has given no evidence that Mornard is his real name. But police have not been able to disprove his story. Nor do they know where he gets the money which he has spent freely during the last 10 years. Mornard draws it from a bank account through his lawyer. Mornard says he established the account when he first came to Mexico.

His trial continued for three years. Mornard is his real name. April 16, 1943, he was sentenced to 10-12 years for the assault and six months for carrying a pistol, which he did not use.

Mornard told his self-defence story of the killing during the trial. He said when he showed his manuscript to Trotsky, the co-founder of the Soviet state told him he did not know how to write. Mornard said he was angered and grabbed Trotsky's sleeve. Then, he said, Trotsky bit his hand and tried to draw a pistol.

At that point, Mornard said, he hit the old man with the mountain axe. But a letter found in his pocket when he was arrested said he had been a follower of Trotsky and was disillusioned when he knew the man better.

Mexican police, not inclined to overlook the possibility that the killing was a political assassination, took no chances with Mornard's safety.

Special suite

In the penitentiary he has been given a special suite of cells where he never comes in contact with the rest of the prison population. He has a private bedroom, a connecting sitting room, a small private patio. Although he speaks English, French and Spanish, other prisoners in this cell block, reserved for important or well-to-do prisoners, say he does not talk to them. Even the guards say they seldom see him. He never walks in the rose garden surrounding the cell blocks as do the other important prisoners.

As a resident in this block, Mornard does not have to do any prison labour. He reads extensively, books brought to him

by his lawyer, and writes a good deal. Prison officials say they do not know what he writes, or what happens to the manuscript. Mornard is eligible this month for a presidential pardon available to prisoners whose conduct throughout their sentence has been good. This may be given after half a sentence has been served, and Mornard's sentence counts from the day of his arrest. After another five years—three-fourths of his sentence—he will be eligible for parole.

There has been nothing to indicate he will be released within the next five years—or even, in view of what may await him outside the goal, that he wants to be released.—Associated Press.

Slump in Jap real estates

Tokyo, August 19.

An increasing number of houses in Tokyo are being offered for sale by "panicky" Japanese who hope to find safer accommodation in the suburbs or in the nearby countryside, but there are no takers.

The Kyodo news agency, reporting the findings of an official survey, said that the real estate business in Japan was suffering a slump.

A real estate broker who until June used to handle one hundred or more transactions a month, said that his business had been reduced to nil since the Korean war started, Kyodo reported.

While the house-selling business is undergoing a slump, the Japanese Cabinet has resolved upon a stern policy to combat profiteering—especially among unscrupulous textile dealers.

At a special Cabinet meeting it was pointed out that the recent rise in the price of textiles was due to speculative buying and hoarding by operators taking advantage of the war.

It was urged that such activities must be vigorously brought under control.

Prices up

The price of daily necessities—especially food and clothing, have gone up in the one and a half months following the outbreak of the Korean conflict. The price of rice in Japan has risen from 120 yen for one "sho" at the outbreak of the war to as high as 230 yen in Kobe and Osaka at the present date. The official ceiling price is 62 yen and 30 sen.

Prices of clothing materials also jumped at the same time, but in this case the lack of purchasing power and the recent government announcement of a planned increase of clothing materials in substantial quantities have sent prices down again.—Reuter.

S. Koreans not to stop fighting

Warner, New Hampshire, August 19.

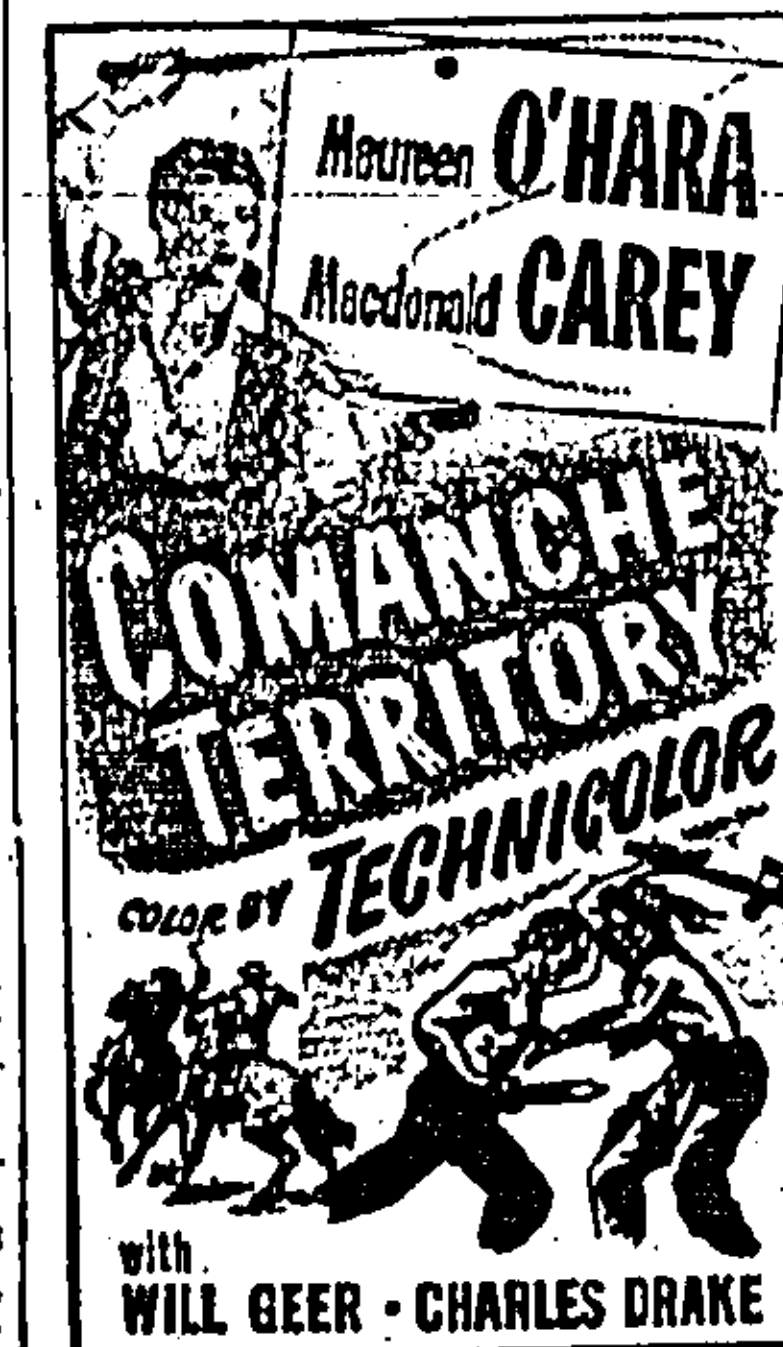
A Korean diplomat said tonight that the way his countrymen risked their lives to escape Russian occupation proved that they never would surrender to Communism.

Eyo Wook Han, First Secretary at the Korean Embassy in Washington, said the United Nations forces now fighting to save his homeland need never doubt South Korea's determination to fight the Communists to the end.

Han told a meeting of the Institute of Foreign Affairs here that the powerful Communist propaganda failed in the Korean Republic because "the people of Korea are basically freedom-loving. One of the greatest mass migrations of modern history testified to this fact when South Korea was liberated by the American military forces. Our population of 20,000,000 South of the 38th parallel and 10,000,000 North of it."

Han said Russia lost no time in enslaving our Northern countrymen. Yet soon after the Russian occupation began more than 2,000,000 North Koreans fled their homes and made their way at the risk of their lives to freedom and democracy already instituted by the South Koreans and their American liberators.—United Press.

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INDIA'S FOOD PROBLEM

As a result of the scare caused by the conflict in Korea, and of drought and floods in some parts of India, hoarding of food and serious shortages in three Indian States have produced an emergency to which the Central Government is reacting as vigorously as Peking did in the much greater crisis in China some months ago. Food is being rushed to deficit areas from the central pool and from surplus provinces, and drastic measures are being taken to meet the situation.

The partition in 1947 immensely aggravated India's major problem: the feeding of her swiftly increased population. The loss of the large area of arable and fertile land in Pakistan was at first balanced by huge imports of food from abroad, which entailed a colossal drain on the country's finances, especially on the hard currency. The Indian Government meanwhile drew up a programme of increased production designed to win "freedom from foreign bread," and attain self-sufficiency in food grains by the end of 1951. A Commissioner for Food Production was appointed, and vested with wide executive powers, and machinery was set up to co-ordinate the production plans of all States.

The battle on the food front has so far gone well. The target for additional production in the current year was just under a million tons, and 95 per cent of the target has been attained. In the concerted drive itself, emphasis was placed on the food production programme, on increasing the yield by intensive cultivation and better farming methods—such as production and distribution of improved seeds, the use of fertilisers, plant protection, minor irrigation and land improvement works.

It was found that mechanised reclamation was a paying proposition, in that the expenses incurred were recoverable within a reasonable time. The International Bank sanctioned a loan of \$10,000,000 for the purchase of 374 new heavy reclamation tractors for the reclamation of weed-infested but fertile lands in certain States. Some of these have been at work for some time. This scheme of the Central Government aims to reclaim three million acres in seven years, adding another million tons of food grains to the annual production. By the end of 1951 it is anticipated, some 800,000 acres will be reclaimed, producing another 300,000 tons of food grains. More than half the new land is being mechanically cultivated, and progress in this direction would have been even greater but for delay in the arrival of tractors from abroad.

The Central Government is importing fertiliser and distributing it to the various State Governments on a "no-profit-no-loss" basis. The entire local production of superphosphate was also purchased by Government and sold on the same basis to State Governments. This year well over 300,000 tons of chemical and other fertilisers were so distributed, while supplies of compost, also greatly increased. Irrigation schemes have been the main plank of the

ATOM CONTROL--SOVIET RECORD

By Harold Bunting

Russia is fighting for peace in a world of warmongers. Russia has demanded the control of atomic energy; the non-Communist countries are trying to prevent it.

So runs the propaganda of Communism. It is the substance of the Russian-inspired peace petition which, probably with truth, is being signed by millions in every country in the world.

What, then, are the facts? Has Russia made any proposals for the effective control of the atom bomb? Has she offered any suggestion that would make general disarmament possible, and that facts shall speak for themselves.

The first detailed proposals for controlling atomic energy were laid before the United Nations by the United States.

They called for the creation of an international authority to which would be entrusted "all phases in the development and use of atomic energy," including the following:

1. The management, control and ownership of all atomic energy activities potentially dangerous to world security.
2. The power to control, inspect, and license all other atomic energy.
3. The fostering of the beneficial use of atomic energy.

Counter-plan

Here, then, was a plan for complete control. How did the Soviet meet it? They submitted counter-proposals in this progressive order:

1. The signing of an international agreement forbidding the production and use of weapons based on atomic energy.
2. The destruction of all stocks of such weapons within three months of the signing of the agreement.
3. The creation of an international atomic commission working under the direction of the Security Council.

This last phrase is important—and ominous. But before we consider them, let us see what the Soviet plan amounted to.

The essence of the plan was that the three steps should follow one another: the taking of the next step being conditional on the achievement of the one preceding it.

That meant that there was to be no international control until there was agreement not to use atomic weapons and all existing bombs had been destroyed. In other words, there was to be no consideration of international control until the one step had been taken which would leave Russia with the most powerful military machine in the world.

Now let us consider the kind of international control Russia had in mind. It was to work, you will remember, under the control of the Security Council, and it is in the Security Council that the veto operates.

Thus, by exercising her veto, Russia could stop any investigations of which she did not approve or, where she approved of investigations, she could stop any action against a revealed offender if she so desired.

The Working Committee which the United Nations set up to consider both plans seized on this grave aspect of the Soviet Plan

grow more food campaign, and in these progress has been very satisfactory. Additional production through irrigation schemes is estimated at 430,000 tons this year, 163 per cent above the previous year. Many new wells have been constructed and old ones repaired, and there has been a phenomenal increase in minor irrigation projects, such as dams, channels, tube wells, etc.

For three years after 1946 India remained free from the locust menace, but in May last year, locusts came in from the lands to the west. Breeding was controlled with the co-operation of the defence forces, and the States were advised by a committee of experts on how to strengthen their anti-locust organisations. Plant protection work also included the spraying of fields and prohibition of summer sowings of wheat and barley as a measure of wheat rust control. Well over 54,000 tons of improved seeds were distributed this year, but more is needed and greater attention is being paid to seed multiplication activities. Seventy per cent of the additional production from the scheme operated during the current year will be of a permanent nature and will yield benefits which will continue for a number of years beyond 1951. The stability and prosperity of India are vital to the future of Asia and to no small extent also of the Commonwealth. The food problem is basic, and it is being tackled with efficiency and every promise of success.

and presented a report expressing the opinion that "the veto should not apply to questions of conduct with regard to the regulations of the international authority."

Ominous words

Then Mr. Gromyko produced a new plan. It was introduced with those ominous words, "The creation within the framework of the Security Council... of an international control commission."

It still kept the operation of the international authority tightly in the grip of the Security Council and thus subject to the influence of the veto.

The Working Committee of the United Nations which had spent nine months in trying to bring reconciliation between the Soviet and American plans now came to these conclusions:

1. The Soviet Plan would confine the control functions of the international authority merely to periodical inspections, and to the investigation of, suspected clandestine activities.
2. The international authority would be unable to enforce compliance either with its own decisions or with the provisions of any international convention, and could merely make representations to the Security Council. In such a situation the position would be seriously aggravated by delays enabling the potential aggressor to assemble further atomic weapons.
3. The Soviet Union insists that even the inadequate control system proposed cannot be established until all atomic weapons have been prohibited and existing stocks destroyed.

This marked the end of the attempt to secure agreement. The Working Committee reported that it felt it impossible to continue its work because "the full co-operation of the Soviet Union is indispensable for the establishment of such a control as would prevent an atomic armaments race."

Views on occupied Japan

A remarkable book "Kake-mons," has appeared on the American occupation of Japan. This is by Miss Honor Tracy, who spent eight months recently in Japan as a correspondent of "The Observer."

The first thing to say about this book is that it is extremely well written. Really distinguished writing on political subjects is rare. It is unhappily true that of all the many political books which have appeared since the war, or indeed since the political book first became a fashionable thing, was about 1930 hardly any remain in the memory as works of literature. They may have been useful or informative or provocative. But they have scarcely been a pleasure to read.

Miss Tracy writes her sentences and paragraphs with such a polish that to read them is to feel the same pleasure as in their task. Miss Tracy says that before her visit to Japan she had already a passion for the country, caused partly by reading Arthur Waley's translations of its literature.

This must be said in praise of the book. Many people will find the judgments it makes less to their taste. Miss Tracy says that before her visit to Japan she had already a passion for the country, caused partly by reading Arthur Waley's translations of its literature.

To arrive at last in a country which for some reason has always appeared, from a long way off, mysterious and fascinating, is a delicate matter. But Japan, even in its present borderland state, came up to her hopes and expectations. She likes Japanese civilisation. And to say that she finds the civilisation of its American conquerors distasteful would be an understatement.

Bitter criticism
 Miss Tracy's bias against the American occupation is summed up in the following bitter sentences:

Britain's change of mind

Lake Success, August 19. Britain has told the United Nations General Assembly's special 18-nation "Watch-dog committee"—which examines information on the world's colonial territories—that she is now willing to take part fully in its work.

(Previously Britain had strongly opposed the committee's conception of its powers.)
 Mr. John Fletcher-Cooke, British representative, told the committee yesterday that Britain would co-operate with it. But, he added, she was still unable to accept the view that the charter gave the United Nations any right to supervise the administration of non-self-governing territories, or to make metropolitan powers accountable for them.

Mr. Fletcher-Cooke said that Britain's attitude "to any committee action would be subject to this reservation: 'which'—as he put it—'to which'—to which government attaches the greatest importance."—Reuter.

indispensable for the establishment of such a control as would prevent an atomic armaments race."

The matter finally rests on a decision of the General Assembly approving a resolution, jointly presented by France and Canada, calling for the continuance of efforts to reach agreement and asking member-nations to accept a "limitation of their sovereignty to the extent necessary to control atomic energy effectively."

Indistinguishable from this attempt to secure agreement on the control of atomic energy, but technically quite distinct from it was the attempt to bring about agreement for conventional disarmament.

This was linked with the proposals to provide a United Nations "police force". Here again Soviet objections and counter-proposals can be seen as the cause of failure.

Essential needs

It is hardly necessary to detail these, since the position is sufficiently indicated in the British statement issued when the Conventional Disarmament Committee too, abandoned its work—this time after 18 months of searching for an agreement.

The British proposal said that agreement depended on these six points:

1. All States must belong to the international system.
2. Disarmament can be put into effect only in an atmosphere of international confidence.
3. International confidence demands agreement on supplying troops for the Security Council, on an atomic control convention, and on a peace settlement with Germany and Japan.
4. Effective disarmament must limit arms to those indispensable to international peace, and security.

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Her book is a skilful series of vignettes, each of which makes some aspect of the American occupation look ludicrous, and makes the American officials appear repellent. On the first page she begins with the Protestant missionaries.

"With no knowledge of any language, any thought, any country but their own, with no preparation, indeed, of any kind, they were going to spill out over Japan, bringing to this ancient and complex civilisation the simple interpretation placed upon Holy Writ by their local communities or sects."

Ridiculous enterprises

Miss Tracy describes most of the officials of SCAP in the same way. They are either engaged in ridiculous enterprises—making documentary films to inculcate "respect for morals," finding far-fetched explanations in psychiatry for Japanese behaviour, imposing all the forms of democracy without any regard to their suitability, or, else, according to her picture, they are simply out for good living. Her special dislike is for the "snowballs"—the American military police. "Where the Army found these louts, bullies, and neats provocateurs, it would be interesting to know. They were loathed by everyone."

It might be hard to find any unexact statements in all Miss Tracy's witty accounts of the antics of the Occupation force. A great deal of what has been done in Japan is of course simply tatoo. But where her book is satisfactory is that it never really admits that there is a Japanese problem.

Miss Tracy went off to the Japanese countryside—to Old Japan outside the range of Westernisation—and found it ravishing. Her conclusion seems to be that all the suffering which Japan has brought on the world was due to the West having transformed the ancient Japanese civilisation, and caused Japan to become an imitation Western power. If only Old Japan could have been left undisturbed, she seems to say, all would have been well. But Old Japan exists today only in very out-of-the-way parts of

5. There must be a system of safeguards that were technically feasible, were capable of detecting violations, and would cause the minimum interference in the life of member nations.

6. There must be provision for effective enforcement against violators.

This failure to agree on both atomic control and conventional disarmament was reported to the General Assembly of the United Nations.

It was in this Assembly that Russia submitted her most dramatic disarmament proposals. These were that the United States, Britain, the Soviet Union, France, and China should within a year reduce by one-third their existing land, naval, and air forces.

Was this a contribution to world peace? The answer must be "No." It still maintained relative strengths; it still left Russia militarily more powerful than any other nation.

Tacked on this proposal were two familiar ones:

1. Prohibition of atomic weapons.
2. The establishment of an international control body within the framework of the Security Council.

That then is the history of Russia's attitude towards the attempt of the United Nations to secure agreement on these great and grave issues.

Can it be said that she genuinely desired to reach effective agreement? That there was in any proposal she made any guarantee that never again would atomic weapons be made or used?

Or was Mr. Bevin right when he stood before that General Assembly and declared: "This I must say with all the solemnity at my disposal: If the devil's fury, the incalculable disaster of atomic war, should fall upon us, one Power, by refusing co-operation in the control and development of these great new forces for the benefit of humanity, will alone be responsible."

the country. Whether it likes it or not, the world is faced with modern Japan, a country broken in war but with tremendous possibilities of revival which it is already demonstrating.

This generation has felt the dangers of great industrial and military power linked with a spirit such as Japan has shown in the past four decades. The victors powers simply could not afford to stand by and let a new Japan grow up of the same nature as the Japan which was defeated in 1945—or of a still more aggressive nature, just as the Germany of Hitler was worse than the Germany of the Hohenzollerns.

Occupation problem

U.S. TO MAKE REQUEST FOR SPEED-UP IN EUROPEAN REARMAMENT

Sense of emergency to be instilled

Review by U.S. Gov't

Washington August 19.

A high United States official said today that the United States will soon make requests for speed-up in European rearmament.

The official said the requests will be made to the North Atlantic Pact deputy Foreign Ministers at their meeting in London on Tuesday by Mr. Charles Spofford, chief United States delegate to the Ministers Council.

UN scheme for Korean trusteeship

Lake Success, August 19.

United Nations diplomats are actively considering a scheme for putting North Korea under temporary United Nations trusteeship until free elections can be held to unite the country under one democratic government, it was learned today.

Informed sources said the idea is being explored as a possible device for carrying Korea over a transition period to unification once the United Nations forces have repelled the Red invaders.

Such a scheme appeared to agree broadly with the "war aims" outlined in an important policy statement made to the Security Council on Thursday by the American delegate, Mr. Warren Austin.

Mr. Austin said: "As order is brought out of chaos, some United Nations body should be on the spot to lend all practical assistance to the Republic in a reunited Korea. Such a body might be effective in helping to dispel suspicion and might materially aid the transition from war to a secure peace."

Mr. Austin's statement seemed to rule out an extension of the trusteeship formula to all Korea because of the fact that the South Korean republic is a sovereign government recognized by the United Nations.—United Press.

The official said Mr. Spofford, who returns to London by air today, will tell the deputies that:

1. The Atlantic nations must accelerate their rearmament programme;

2. Bigger rearmament programmes are necessary;

3. Atlantic parliaments should be asked immediately to authorize further rearmament;

4. The United States will study the question of whether further United States ground forces should be sent to Europe.

The official said that Mr. Spofford will be accompanied to London by Mr. Theodore Achille, authority on Western European affairs, and other officials. He said Mr. Spofford is determined to make the deputies of other Atlantic nations realize that the Atlantic nations are in a war emergency now.

Sense of emergency

Consequently, Mr. Spofford will present the view that the governments of the Atlantic nations have the responsibility of making their parliaments and peoples realize this sense of emergency.

The official said the United States government believes that it is necessary for a spirit of preparedness and sacrifice to be evidenced throughout Western Europe immediately.

He said the United States government is now reviewing and will continue to review what is necessary in the way of United States military aid for Western Europe. This review includes the examination of whether more should be sent to Western Europe.

He stressed that the United States will assume progressively more heavy rearmament burdens as the United States preparedness has only begun. He said the very heavy sacrifices the United States is prepared to make must be comparably matched by other Atlantic nations from Canada to Portugal.—United Press.

Belgian Reds fly flags at half-mast

Liege, August 19.

Red flags flew at half-mast over Communist headquarters in every Belgian city today. Posters appeared on the walls of Liege buildings calling for Mr. Lahaut's death to be avenged and urging Belgians to "unite and disarm the killers and stop fascism."

In screaming headlines, the Belgian Communist paper "Le Drapeau Rouge" accused pro-Leopold fanatics of the murder. Sixty-five year old M. Lahaut, virulent opponent of King Leopold, was shot dead on the doorstep of his home in densely populated Seneffe, near Liege, by two men.

The men had rung the bell and asked Mrs. Lahaut if they could see her husband. When he left his supper table and appeared at the door in his shirt sleeves, M. Lahaut was struck by four bullets.

As he slumped to the ground at the feet of his wife, the men sped off in a small grey car.

Funeral

Communist party members will bear M. Lahaut's body in state tomorrow to the Party Headquarters at Seneffe. The funeral will take place on Tuesday. A former coal miner, M. Lahaut was Party president for five years. He was interned by the Germans during the war. He was also a member of the Chamber of Deputies for 16 years. Last week he caused an uproar by shouting "Vive la République" during the wearing-in of Prince Baudouin, King Leopold's son, as chief of state.

Meanwhile, the Communist Party vowed today that "another man will pay with his life" for the assassination—last night—of Lahaut.

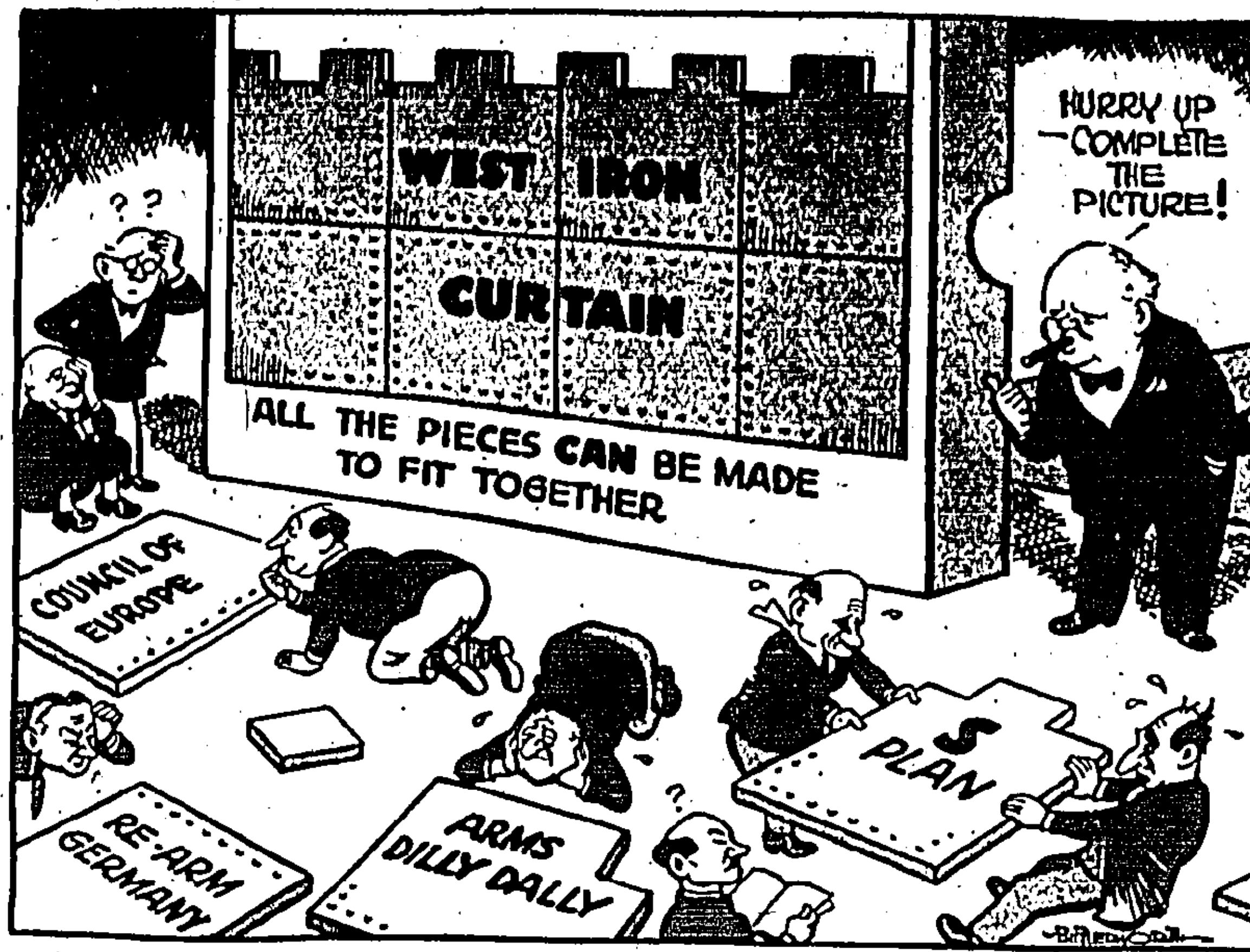
Premier, Mr. Joseph Pholien, in a special broadcast to the nation, promised that the assassin would be sought relentlessly and without respite. The killing caused nationwide labour indignation. One hundred mines and factories in protest strikes. The Socialist-Labour Federation ordered a 24-hour general strike in the big industrial city of Liege.—Reuter and United Press.

SARA QUADS ALL ACCOUNTED FOR

Belinden, August 19.

The Sara quadruplets are two girls and two boys. The new boy is the weakest of the four children, the doctor stated. He was born six hours and five minutes after the third, a girl, and 51 hours and 33 minutes since the first baby arrived on Thursday night.

The first two, a girl and a boy, were christened this afternoon in a ceremony conducted in their specially-heated crib. Their names were not released.—Reuter.



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Rupture of European Assembly averted

Strasbourg, August 19.

A pledge from British Labour Party members to work for the Council of Europe today narrowly averted a rupture of the European Consultative Assembly.

British Labour representative James Callaghan made the pledge on behalf of his Labour colleagues in a closed session of the Assembly's General Affairs Committee in replying to a threat by the French Socialist Mr. Guy Mollet, to resign as Committee Secretary.

Mr. Callaghan, according to persons in the session, apologized for a misunderstanding on Friday's vote on the Committee report presented by Mr. Mollet. The report embodies a series of resolutions to which British Labour representatives objected, although Mr. Hugh Dalton, a Committee member, last year, had approved it.

M. Mollet in a stormy morning session of the Committee, demanded that British Labour delegates tell the Committee exactly where they stand in European unification, so that the Committee would know how to proceed. M. Mollet accused the Labour men of taking one position in Committee and another in public session.

When the Committee resumed in the afternoon, Mr. Callaghan said he wanted to make a statement on behalf of all Labour Party delegates in Strasbourg. All of them, he said, are determined, on their return to London, to promote Assembly resolutions both in the government and among fellow-members of Parliament.

M. Mollet then told the Committee that under these circumstances he would be happy to continue as Committee Secretary.

Afterwards asked if he were satisfied with the Labour Party position, M. Mollet replied, "Yes, for the time being..." "They made a formal pledge... We will see if they can overcome the objections of the Foreign Office by the time we come back here in November."

Bitter fight

Assembly officials said that M. Mollet's resignation, if carried out, would have precipitated a bitter fight on the Assembly floor between advocates of closer unification and the "go-slow" delegates, mostly British Socialists and Scandinavians. M. Mollet and Georges Bidault, Committee chairman, have threatened to take the issue up in public session.

M. Mollet said the pledge covered all Labour representatives here in Strasbourg, including Mr. Dalton.

M. Mollet was particularly angry because Mr. Dalton, during Friday's vote on the Committee resolutions for closer European unity and a stronger Council, left the Chamber for the Assembly bar. Mr. Dalton did not answer the roll call.

M. Mollet said he and most other Committeemen were willing to give the British Socialists a chance to prove their co-operation when these resolutions come before the Committee of Ministers next October. Britain's Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, has so far blocked Ministerial action on most of these issues through the single-power veto in the Ministers' Committee.

Woman's appeal

Meanwhile, a woman's voice sounded an appeal before the European Assembly here today on behalf of the unemployed of Western Berlin.

The woman was Frau Louise Schroeder, 63-year-old Deputy Mayor of the former German capital. A slight figure, she addressed the Assembly in a debate on social questions.

She said that in Berlin "we have to bear the consequences of war in an incomparable degree". Destruction, blockades, the removal of the capital to the West, the political split, the two currencies and the high surplus of women over men left the Western sectors with 300,000 unemployed. "Today, we need more than ever an international regulation of the problem," she said, adding that social security was everywhere a matter of international interest.

"I think that this idea should be the whole of Europe," she said. A moving plea by a British Conservative member, Lady

KING LUCKY IN GAMBLING

Deauville, France, August 19.

Egypt's King Farouk, who last night won \$28,000 in an all-night gambling session, came back to the Deauville casino before dinner today and started an attack on the "no limit" chemin de fer bank.

His winnings before dawn previously estimated as high as \$100,000, were said by casino sources to be 10,000,000 francs (\$28,000).

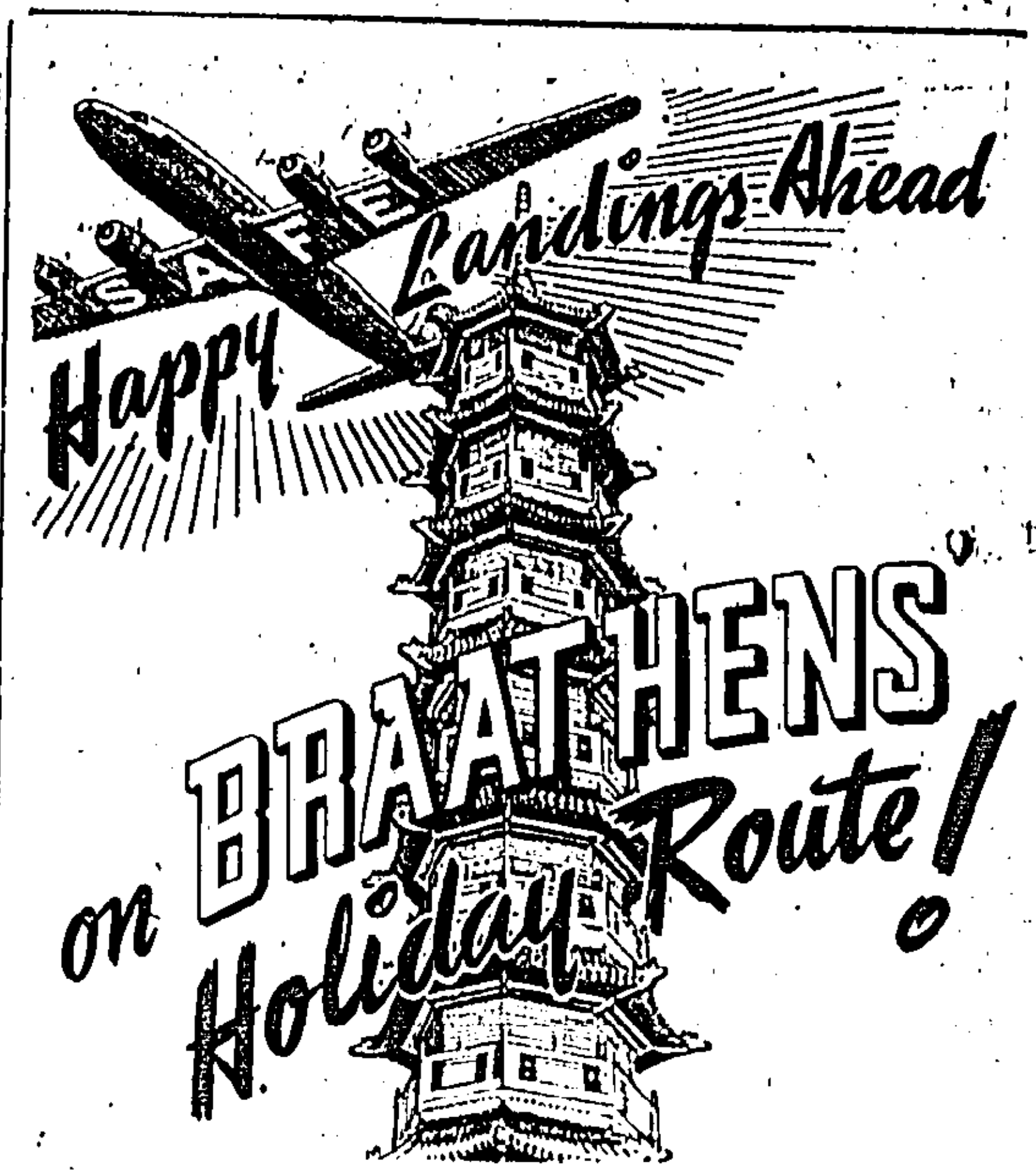
Farouk originally planned not to visit the casino again until after midnight, but decided during a late lunch that his luck was too good to pass up.—United Press.

Tweedsmuir, for concerted aid on Germany's refugee problem

Saying that there were 8,000,000 refugees in the Western zones of Germany, Lady Tweedsmuir declared that it was not a problem for the German Federal authorities alone. It was one which must be a task for all in Europe to try to solve.

The Assembly tonight agreed without debate to suspend its present session some time between August 26 and 30—about a week earlier than originally planned.

The Assembly will meet again for a final week's work later in the year. The date has not yet been fixed.—Associated Press and Reuter.



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NO PROPOSALS FOR TITO

Belgrade, August 19.

Mr. Ernest Davies, British Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, denied at a Press conference here today that he was taking to the Yugoslav Government any fresh proposal for the re-establishment of normal diplomatic relations between the two countries.

Mr. Davies arrived here yesterday after visiting Rome and Athens, and dined with the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, Mr. Kerdew. He said he had had a general discussion with his opposite number.

Asked if the British Government was contemplating any action to help re-establish normal relations between Greece and Yugoslavia, Mr. Davies replied: "The United Kingdom does not interfere in the internal affairs of other countries or in relations between them"—Reuter.

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What have U.S. women done with the vote?

New York, August 20.

Thirty years ago this week American women won the right to vote. And for 30 years debate has been raging over how well they have used it.

They get credit for having reached some of the country's highest public offices, acquired political skill and demonstrated political influence.

But they are criticised by many political leaders because they have not been active in far greater numbers and have not made their influence felt with greater force, since they now outnumber men voters by one and a half million.

On the credit side:

"Thirty years of suffrage have demonstrated that women are as adept in politics as they are in the home or in the business world," says Mrs. Gifford Mayes, assistant chairman of the Republican National Committee. "Considering that the majority of women are pre-occupied with wage-earning, home-making and family-raising and not all are available for politics and its related activities, they have rendered noteworthy service to the country. With increased experience and a most aggressive acceptance of opportunities, women will make even more impressive imprints on the pages of suffrage history."

Since the 19th amendment of the U.S. constitution giving women the vote became effective on August 26, 1920, about 20,000 women have been elected or appointed to office in federal, state, county and city government. Forty-seven have served in Congress and an estimated 2,806 in state legislatures.

Nine representatives

Today there are nine women in the House of Representatives and one in the Senate. Two hundred and eighteen serve in state legislatures. About 500 hold top positions in federal service. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt is among Uncle Sam's delegates to the United Nations. Mrs. Frances Perkins (first woman in a Presidential cabinet) is civil service commissioner.

Mrs. Georgia Neese Clark is treasurer of the United States. Mr. Nellie Taylor Ross directs the U.S. mint. Mrs. Eugene Anderson is American Ambassador to Denmark and Mrs. Perla Nestu is Minister to Luxembourg. Fifteen hundred women are in state appointive positions and 19 hold top state elective jobs as Superintendent of public instruction, state treasurer and such. Bigwigs in both parties believe that women played a big part in putting "human welfare" legislation on the statute books, either by campaigning or by voting for lawmakers who favoured such

measures. How they voted cannot be proved, of course. But, says Mrs. India Edwards, vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee: "It is interesting to note that during the past 17 years at least, the tendency has been to vote for liberal legislation concerned with human welfare. And all experts agree that more women voted in recent elections than ever before."

The biggest political criticism of American women is that they do not get out and vote in sufficient numbers and that not enough of them hold office from the home town to the government level. While there are 10 women in the United States Congress, there are 21 in the British Parliament, 50 in French national legislative bodies and 33 in the Japanese Diet. "In the field of public office," says Mrs. Mayes, "women have put their foot in the door, but they have not gone fully over the threshold of opportunity."

"Much as I should like to," says Mrs. Edwards, "I cannot credit American women with having assumed the responsibilities in citizenship which are theirs by reason of their numerical superiority. Far too many women still let George do it."

"But I believe that more and more women are taking an active interest in politics and I think these numbers will increase," Associated Press.

ERUPTION IN KENYA REPORTED

Nairobi, August 19.

A volcano eruption has been reported in a remote group of hills in the middle of Kenya's national park, between Nairobi and Mombasa.

Violent earth tremors shook the rest house of Tito Andrej on Thursday afternoon, and what appeared to be a large grass fire on a hillside 40 kilometres away.

Search parties who went to within eight kilometres of the fires found at least six streams of lava flowing down the western slopes of the Chulu hills.

Another stream of glowing lava was reported near Nzima Springs, a popular tourist resort.

A game ranger who arrived at Tito Andrej last night reported an earth tremor 150 kilometres west that appeared to be "smoke belching from some hills."

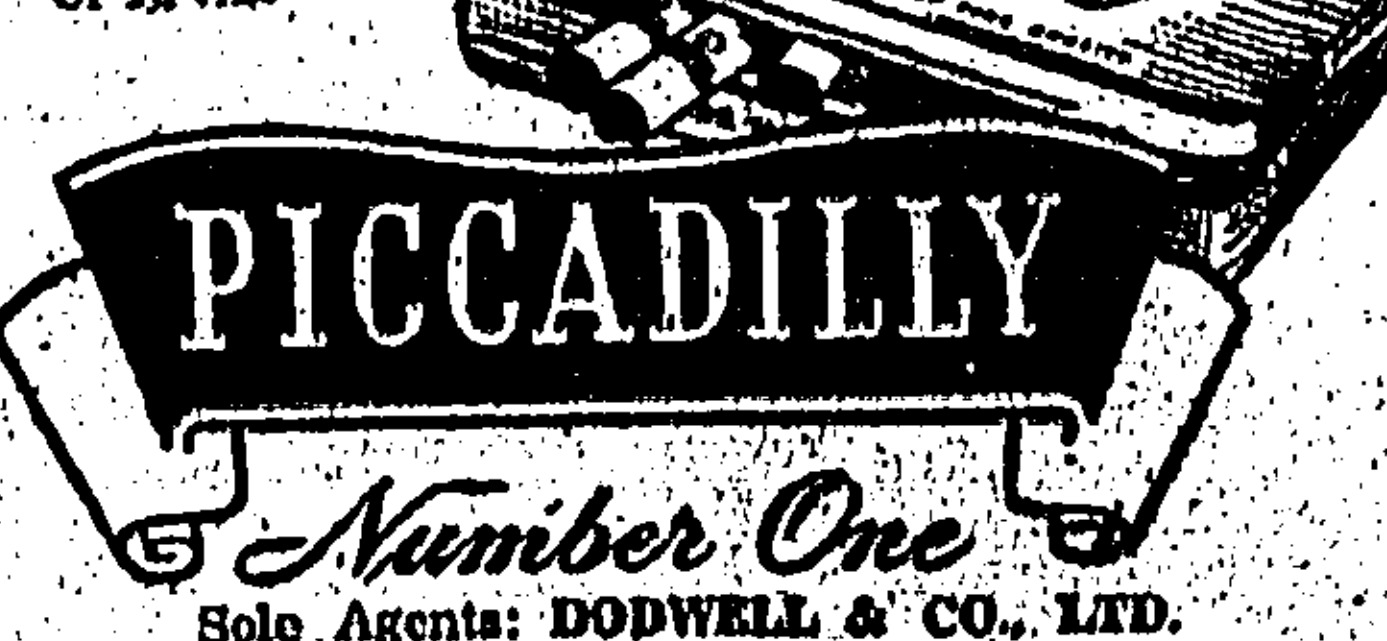
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11.15—Weather Report.
11.16—"Goodnight, Music."
11.30—Close Down.

Iran's efforts to mollify Russia

Tehran, August 19.

Diplomatic observers here say that Iran is making vigorous efforts to mollify the Soviet Union in order to give no ground for aggression.

Relations between the Iranian Government and the Soviet Ambassador, Ivan Sadchikov, seem to be improving. Sadchikov had recently a 90 minute interview with Premier Ali Razmara, marking the end of a strained period in diplomatic relations between the two countries, and has begun again to attend diplomatic parties.

At the same time the Prime Minister banned all foreigners except consular officers from the provinces bordering on the Soviet Union. The Premier simultaneously lifted martial law in 10 cities, most of them close to the USSR. Observers note that the Government's attitude toward the Tudeh (Communist) Party has softened a little. Trial of some Tudeh leaders has been transferred from a military to a civil court.

Movement of troops on either side of the border is denied. An Iranian government spokesman said Iran was not changing the present order of things, and two Soviet refugees who crossed the border into Iran recently said there was no change in Russian troop placement.

A single unit

Iran is ready to resist any attempt to change the present

order from within, however, an Iranian Cabinet minister told United Press here. He emphasized that, unlike Korea, Iran was a single unit, and is wholly independent now and has no puppet government as it had in 1945. He added that aggression would be answerable to the United Nations and to the entire world.

Foreign observers here think that before launching a major war, Russia will try to consolidate her position in Iran. They point out that while no semi-autonomous regime under Russian protection exists now in Iran, Russia might make an ideological foray into Afghanistan. Reports from Afghanistan indicate that conditions are not completely peaceful, and that Russia could exploit discontent there if she wished. With a pro-Russian Afghanistan, Iran's future could cause grave anxiety.

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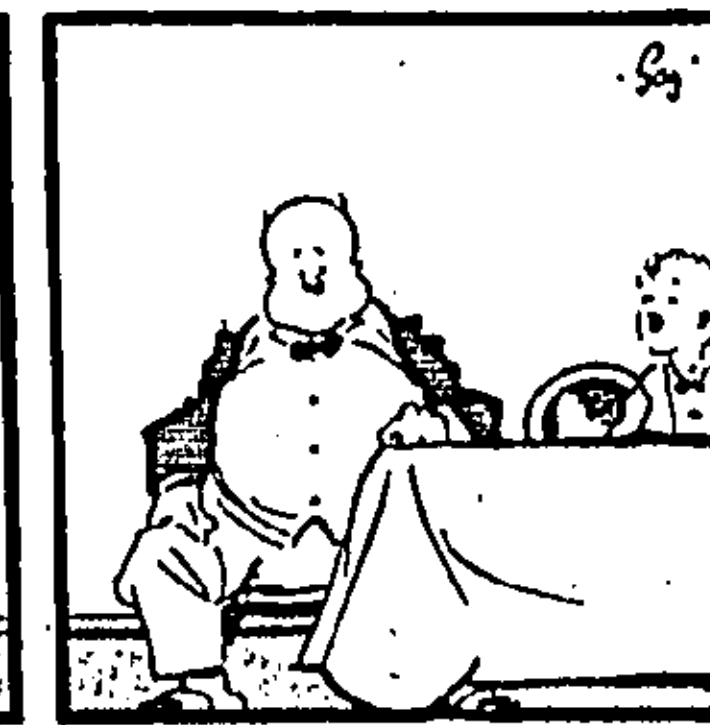
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9.30—Quiz Programme.
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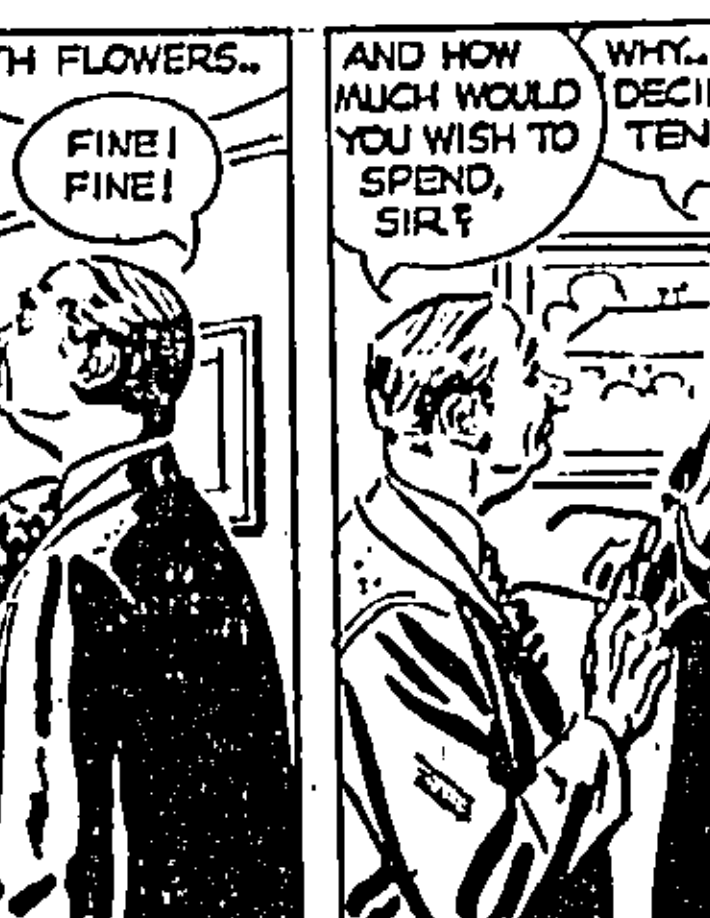
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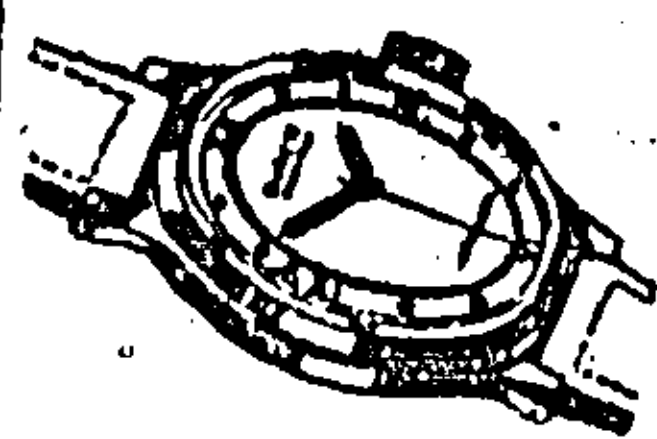
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NINE RECORDS BROKEN AT ST. JOHN AMBULANCE MEET

SUCCESSFUL CHINESE PRESS SWIMMING MEET

The Hong Kong Chinese Pressmen's Athletic Association held its first swimming gala since the Pacific War at the Chung Sing Bathing Pavilion, Kennedy Town, yesterday.

The function was a great success and in the evening, after the completion of the various swimming events, well-known Chinese film actors and actresses entertained the large number of guests present at a concert.

Results

The following are the results of the swimming events:

50 metres free style: 1. Wan Koon-wai; 2. Nam Choi-sung; 3. Li T. Tang. (33 secs.)

100 metres free style: 1. H. T. Tung; 2. Wan Koon-cheuk; 3. Leung Bing-chung. (80.2 secs.)

400 metres free style: 1. Kwan Man-lai; 2. Wan Koon-wai; 3. Wong Kung-choi. (4 mins. 22 secs.)

50 metres back stroke: 1. Wan Koon-cheuk; 2. Wong Tak-mong; 3. Cheung Pang. (43.8 secs.)

100 metres breast stroke: 1. Leung Bing-chung; 2. Cheung Pang; 3. Leung Tao. (2.8 mins. 50 secs.)

150 metres medley relay (4 x 50): 1. Chinese Newer; 2. Wah Kiu Yat Pao "A"; 3. Sing Tao Pao. (2 mins. 35.5 secs.)

25 metres freestyle for lady reporters: 1. Lee Wai-ye. (43 secs.)

100 metres free style for Pressmen over 40 years of age: 1. Ng Fok-leung; 2. Ng Yik-chiu; 3. Chan Yik-poon. (1 min. 57.4 secs.)

50 metres relay for father and child: 1. Lai Chi-ming and Lai Yik-ye; 2. Tse Ken-lung and Tse Chiu-hung; 3. Wong Yek-lun and Wong Tak-mong. (37 secs.)

50 metres relay for families (2 x 25): 1. Wan Koon-wai and Wan Koon-cheuk; 2. Cheung Pang and Cheung Yik-chung; 3. Leung Bing-chung and Leung Bing-lit. (30.4 secs.)

200 metres free style relay (4 x 50) for workmen of the Press: 1. Sing Tao Pao; 2. Sing Pao; 3. Wah Kiu Yat Pao. (2 min. 28 secs.)

Throwing the water polo ball: 1. Wong Tak-mong; 2. Wong Ken-hon; 3. Lam Yau-pui.

Swimming under water: 1. Leung Yau-shan; 2. Chan Fung-lai; 3. Wan Koon-cheuk.

200 metres free style invitation relay: 1. Chinese YMCA "A"; 2. Chinese YMCA "B"; 3. Chung Sing. (1 min. 53.6 secs.)

There was also a 25 metres test for beginners and all who entered passed the test successfully.

The row-boat race will take place this afternoon at 2 p.m. The start will be off the Praya at Whitty Street and will finish at the Chung Sing Bathing Pavilion.

JACK HOPKINS WINS AMATEUR ROAD CYCLING TITLE

Yates, August 19. Jack Hopkin of Australia today became 1950 world amateur road cycling champion.—Associated Press.

Sport converted into something political

Berlin, August 19. Sport in Russian-occupied East Germany, from football to fishing, has been converted into something political, with the aim of injecting Communism into all participants.

A man can't even get a fishing licence unless he applies to the Communist Free German Youth Movement (FDJ) and belongs either to the FDJ, the Communist-ruled trade unions or another of the Communist "mass organisations."

The same applies to bowling. This came about through the bolshevisation of East German sport on the Soviet model.

First act

It began with the establishment about two years ago of the Communist-ruled Deutscher Sport Ausschuss (Sport Control Commission) which took over control of all sport clubs.

Its first act was to abolish all private sport clubs. Thus, many

Nine records were shattered at the Fourth Annual Aquatic Sports Meet of the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade held at the Victoria Recreation Club swimming pool yesterday.

Wong Kwong-chung, of the Hong Kong YMCA Division, one of the outstanding performers at yesterday's meet, bettered his own 1944 record in the 100 yard breast-stroke, by winning the event in 76 2/5 seconds.

Miss Shiu Chu-kuen, of the Hong Kong YMCA Nursing Division, clipped 1.8 seconds off the record of 58 seconds which she made last year in the 50 yard breast-stroke.

By chalking up 51 points, the Hong Kong YMCA Division won the Men's Inter-Division Championship, while the Hong Kong YMCA Nursing Division, with 32 points, won the Nurses' Inter-Division Championship.

Forty-five entries representing 14 Divisions of the Brigade participated in the meet. At the conclusion of the meet prizes were presented to the winners by Mrs. D.W. Macintosh, wife of the Commissioner of Police, who was introduced by Mr. A. el Arculli, Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Brigade.

Mrs. Macintosh was in turn presented with a bouquet by Miss Lena Kwok, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kwok Chan.

The prizes were donated by Sir Arthur Morse, Messrs. Av Boon Haw, S.W. Li, L. Kadourie, F.S. Coote, I.B. Trevor, Trank Shiu-kin, Lai Kai, Andrew Tsang and H.J. Collar.

The Sports Committee comprised the following:

Aquatic Sports Committee: Chairman: Mr. Ho Kung-po. Hon. Sec.: Mr. Lo Pol-yung. Committee: Mr. Chung Yung-ping, Mr. Lam Chi-fung, Mr. So Chung-shun, Mr. Wong Tak-ho, Mr. Yuen Sun-fat, Miss So Wai-sau, Miss Z. el Arculli, Mrs. B. M. Mahon.

Judges: Mr. Kwok Chun-hang, Mr. C. C. Wong, Mr. L. Bones, Mr. Tse Long-chiu, Mr. R. A. Edwards.

Starters: Mr. Kwok Chun-hang, Time Keepers: Mr. Wong Chuk-kwan, Mr. Chan Chun-nam, Mr. Wong Chek-lin, Mr. Wong Chek-wing.

Recorders: Mr. Ma Yat-chiu, Mr. Wan Shiu-hon.

The following are the results:

50 Yards free-style (Men): 1. Wong Kwong-chung (HKYMCA); 2. H. T. Tung (Talmshat); 3. Lai Sik-ki (HKYMCA). 30 seconds (record).

100 Yards free-style (Nurses): 1. Ng Yik-chun (SCAAND); 2. Shiu Chu-kuen (HKYMCA); 3. Fong Pook-keum (HKYMCA). 46 1/5 seconds (record).

50 Yards back-stroke (Men): 1. Ng Wing-chuen (Chung Sing); 2. Ho Chung-ming (Sih Nan); 3. So Kwok-chu (HKYMCA). 41 3/10 seconds (record).

100 Yards breast-stroke (Men): 1. Wong Kwong-chung (HKYMCA); 2. H. T. Tung (Talmshat); 3. Lai Sik-ki (HKYMCA). 76 2/5 seconds (record).

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Plunge (Men): 1. Kwok-chu (HKYMCA); 2. Yuen Yik-chun (HKYMCA).

New Home soccer season given rousing send-off

London, August 19. More than a million fans packed the stands and terraces at 46 English soccer league grounds today to give the new season a rousing send-off.

Some players were quickly off the mark. The first goal of the campaign was netted by Nat Lofthouse, Bolton Wanderers' centre-forward, who slammed a shot past Charlton's goal-keeper.

Tottenham's start was most unimpressive for they were dozzled at the wizardry of the England and Blackpool right-winger, Stanley Matthews and crashed 1-4. In fact all four clubs who gained promotion last season were well beaten.

Nottingham Wednesday also conceded four goals to Chelsea, who were brilliantly led in the attack by the roaming Roy Bentley, while in the Second Division Notts County, without Tommy Lawton, went down to Coventry and Doncaster Rovers lost at Leeds.

Unavoidable distinction

Hull City's Danish star, Viggo Jensen, had the unavoidable distinction of being the first player to put through his own goal—after 30 seconds away at West Ham, but Hull fought back to share the points.

Over half a million fans flocked to the 11 premier division games, with nearly 70,000 at White Hart Lane, London to watch the return of Tottenham Hotspur to League 1 after a 16 years absence.

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OTHER SPORTS ON PAGE 4



Mrs. D. W. Macintosh, wife of the Commissioner of Police, presenting a Shield to the captain of the Women's Relay team which won the 100 yards relay event at the fourth annual aquatic sports meet of the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade held at the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday. ("China Mail" photo.)

HK Table Tennis Champions leaving for Singapore

Sporting history in the Colony will be made on Wednesday, August 23, when the Wing Sun Table Tennis team, Hong Kong's current League Champions, leave by plane for Singapore to engage teams there in friendly games.

It is the first time that a Colony representative Table Tennis team has left for any place further than Macao and Canton for a series of friendly Table Tennis matches.

Accompanying the team will be Messrs. Lau Tai-fu and Wong Yiu-ming as team leaders; Mr. Lai Yik-ho as manager and Mr. Lai Duen-po as an Honorary Secretary.

The following players will make the trip: Chung Ching-shing, captain, Ching Kwok-ping, vice-captain, Lee Ping, Wong Sik-tin, Lo Kuen-sun and Kau Wing-ling.

Yu Kwong-ming, who is also a member of the Wing Sun Table Tennis team, is unable to make the trip due to pressure of business.

The team and officials will be leaving together with the Ho Ho Football Cup team which is also due to leave on Wednesday.

Toughest match

Seven matches have been arranged for the Wing Sun Table Tennis team in Singapore, the toughest of which will be the match against an All-Malayan team which will also be visiting Singapore at the same time.

The Indian team, played in the World series, the Table Tennis Championships, and is ranked by experts as seventh in the World standing.

The first match that the Hong Kong team will play will be against the runners-up in the Singapore League Championships, while the second game will be against the Champions.

Third match will be against a combined North Malaya team and the fourth match will be against Central Malaya.

The visiting team will then play an All-Singapore team and in the sixth game they will meet the All-Malaya team.

After the seven matches, the team may visit the Federated Malaya States.

Mr. Wong Yiu-kwan, adviser to the Wing Sun team, through whose financial aid the trip has been made possible, gave a farewell dinner in honour of the departing team at the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce Building last night.

Mr. Kwok Chan presented a banner to the Wing Sun team. In presenting the banner Mr. Kwok said:

"One gains experience in sports by visiting other countries and by playing against their best. Through the generosity and kind assistance of Mr. Wong Yiu-kwan, the budding sportsmen of the Wing Sun team will gain invaluable tournament experience."

The Peer, the Parson and the Policeman all bet on the Pool

By PAT REEKIE

Bill Melville, 60-year-old Aberdeen stomason, had silicosis. By rights he should have given up chipping granite, for the very dust in which he made his living was killing him.

But Bill had a son—at that time in the Army—who wanted to be a teacher, and Bill was going to see him through university if it were the last thing he ever did. Bill chipped on. Then one day in April, 1947, Bill won £64,000 in Littlewoods pools.

"It is amazing the way these things turn out," said Norman Lewis, a Littlewoods publicity man, telling me this story. "I meet all our big winners and 99 per cent. of them turn out to be just like Bill, an ordinary decent people who really do go on with the money. Maybe it's fate!"

After a moment's thought he added: "Maybe it is nothing to do with fate at all. It is just that 99 per cent. of people are just ordinary, decent people."

Stakes down

Therein lies the whole story of the surprising growth of pools in the past 20 years. They have become the hope and the pastime of the ordinary, decent people.

It is computed that the pools firms up and down the country now have a total of more than 10,000,000 clients on their mailing lists. Of these 6,000,000 to 7,000,000 enter a coupon every week of the football season. The remainder bet occasionally.

Think what that number means. Minister of Health Aneurin Bevan and others have put the number of homes in this country variously at between 11,000,000 to 12,000,000.

At the rate of 1,000,000 constant clients, the pools firms for some homes sending in more than one coupon, at least one family in every two makes a weekly pools entry.

Total investments exceed £1,000,000 a week, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with his 50 per cent. cut, takes the profits from postal order reckons to pick up around £18,000,000 in a single year.

The money shortage in the past year has been reflected in the average amounts staked, but not in the number of people entering coupons.

At the beginning of last season the average amount staked on each coupon was 3s. 4d. At the end of the season it had dropped to 2s. 6d.

Every class and type of person has his or her fitter on the pools.

There are peers and peeresses, armchair clients, and working men. There are high-ranking officers in the Services, professors and professional men, and that great majority of men who make up the working classes.

Many of them are people whose normal gambling activities extend no farther than having a shilling each way on their own particular fancy in the Derby and the Grand National, with an additional fob each way on the "Legs" if they happen to come from or be in the north.

Practically the only type of man who does not gamble on the pools is the inveterate race-horse gambler.

Colleague Frank Harvey would no more think of having a penny on a Shermans coupon than he would of winking on a race-course bet.

Offer him 5-1 on an even-money chance and he will jump at it. He'll take £150 to £100 like a shot. It's a good bet. When the horse then backs, he is beaten a short head he will not turn a hair but will simply shrug and say: "It was a good bet anyway."

But get him to make a penny bet on a football pool—never. He will point out that taking £25,000 to a penny—odds of 40,000 to 1—when the true odds are often nearer 1,000 to 1 is bad.

Three times he and his family have moved since he won his £25,000. Each time it has been to an undeveloped district, but the begging letters still come through the letterbox. His great wish is to be able to live his own life in obscurity. He has even thought of changing his name.

Whenever he goes he takes a football match, a speedy meeting, or even the "local"—no finds himself being pointed out. "People mean well, but they treat me like a curio," he says.

His main concern is for his family. He has three daughters and a son between the ages of 19 and one year.

"I don't want the young ones to grow up money-conscious," he says. "They are going to ordinary, council schools and sitting for their examinations. If they do not get through there will be no special schooling for them."

He has helped relatives and friends—six in all—to solve housing problems by buying houses for them and installing them as tenants. He also found a house for a family who were total strangers. He is reputed to have spent £10,000 in helping people this way.

He still fills in a football coupon each week, just for fun. He won't bet on it, but he will fill it in.

Rinks of Ribeiro and Sykes enter Open final

The rinks skipped by J. F. V. Ribeiro and L. Sykes entered the final of the Colony Open Lawn Bowls Rinks Championship at Talkoo Dock Club yesterday when they beat rinks skipped by C. Roza Pereira and W. Cameron by the scores of 25-12 and 20-11 respectively.

The match between R. M. V. Ribeiro, E. M. Alarcoun, A. A. Lopez and F. V. Ribeiro (skip), and H. B. Pinna, G. A. Noronha, C. P. Basto and C. Roza Pereira, produced bowls of a very high standard and some excellent heads were seen.

Ribeiro and his men fully deserved their victory, as man to man they played better bowls.

The best bowler of the night, however, was Lopes, who gave a startling display.

R. M. V. Ribeiro and Pinna had a good fight, as also did Noronha and Alarcoun.

The better performance given by the combination of Lopes and Ribeiro over Basto and Roza Pereira was responsible for their win.

Ribeiro was leading 7-4 on the 7th head, 11-5 on the 15th head, and 10-12 on the 17th head. Ribeiro and his men scored nine shots on the remaining four heads to win by 25-12.

Brilliant woods

E. Greenwood, A. L. G. Eastman, W. C. Simpson and L. Sykes (skip) beat H. B. Pinna, C. P. Basto, H. Brown and W. Cameron (skip) 28-11.

Both Sykes and Cameron played a good game. For his part, Sykes made more than his front men, as they all played well.

Eastman was the sheet anchor in Sykes' rink and sent down some brilliant woods. Simpson had not much to do, except to put in blockers, a task which he performed very successfully.

Greenwood and Pope were good at times, but were not consistent. Marvin was deadly on short heads, but was all at sea on the long ones. Greenwood was good all through and gave a very fine display.

Sykes was leading 7-1 on the 3rd head, 8-6 on the 12th head, 20-10 on the 15th head and finished the game with a single to win 28-11.

O. R. SADICK WINS FIRST SHOOT OF HKRA

The first shoot of the Hong Kong Rifle Association was held at the Kai Tak Rifle Range yesterday.

More than 30 members of the Association were present at the shoot, which was won by O. R. Sadick, Secretary of the Association.

At the end of the shoot, a silver spoon was presented to Mr. Sadick.

Main events on the programme were the 100 yards and 200 yards rifle shooting competitions.

A big proportion of his win he invested in all-edges securities.

In some jobs

The Sunday Dispatch carried out an interesting investigation some little while ago.

A year previously Jack Boulton followed had shared a first dividend pool between them, each winning £10,000. On the anniversary of their win he sent a reporter to look them up. This is what he found.

All four had bought a house and car. All four were doing exactly the same jobs as they had been doing when they came into their fortunes.

All four had moved away from their original districts to avoid the begging-letter writers and people with money-making schemes which just needed a little capital.

The rest of their money had been put away for the education of their children, security in old age, and some other such things.

Most of the pools employ welfare officers to advise and assist winners of big prizes. These men show winners who have not already got them how to open banking accounts.